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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Mr. Wu, the Chinese minister, was the guest of honor at a dinner given by the Southern Manufacturers' Club in Charlotte; he spoke of China's importance as a market for Southern goods. —— The cotton crop this year, it is estimated, will cost at least one-eighth more to raise and gather than the crop last year. —— General MacArthur says reports of commissary frauds in Manila are grossly exaggerated. —— The strike of employes in steel mills is declared off. —— Chas H. Sweeney, tobacco planter, of Kentucky, shot and killed his wife and then committed suicide in Chicago. —— The murder charge against Patrick was submitted to the grand jury, New York city, yesterday. —— New York markets: Money on call firm at 3@5 per cent., the last loan 3, and ruling rate 4½ per cent; cotton was quiet, middling uplands 8½c; flour active; wheat—spot firm, No. 2 red 79½c; corn—spot easy, No. 2 50c; oats—spot quiet, No. 2 30½c; rosin quiet; spirits turpentine dull.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., April 18

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 56 degrees; 8 P. M., 57 degrees; maximum, 66 degrees; minimum, 52 degrees; mean, 59 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .0; rainfall since first of the month to date, 1.93 inches.

Stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M. 11 feet.

COTTON REGION BULLETIN.

Dallas and Sherman, Texas, report light frosts. Heavy rainfall at many places in Arkansas, Texas, Mississippi and Alabama; at Waynesboro, Miss., five inches fell in 24 hours.

STORM WARNING.

The following dispatch was received to-night at the Weather Bureau station: "Continue southeast storm warning, nine forty five P. M. Storm central over Alabama, moving east-northeast. High east to south winds Friday."

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—For North Carolina—Rain Friday; much colder in western and central portions; brisk high east to southeast winds; Saturday fair; heavy frosts Saturday morning in the interior.

Port Almanac April 19.

Sun Rises	5 22 A. M.
Sun Sets	6.37 P. M
Day's Length	13 H. 15 M
High Water at Southport.	8 00 P. M.
High Water Wilmington.	10.30 P. M

Chili is progressing. When elections get warm down there votes are worth from $2 to $30 apiece.

In Delaware some of the negroes draw the line on the white man. A gang of them recently tried to cremate another negro because they saw him walking with a white man.

The Republican party in Wisconsin is divided on the question of ballot reform. The majority of the Republican party dosen't want ballot reform or any other kind of reform.

The Southern white people, as a rule, are not in favor of negro suffrage, but they are not averse to helping the negro along, a proof of which is that they have since 1875 spent $114,000,000 on his schooling.

J. P. Morgan is buying things over in England. He hasn't taken in any railroads or steel plants yet, but it is reported that he has bought the recovered Gainsborough picture for $125,000, and a collie dog for $2,500.

In Korea opium smoking has been made a capital offence. If a person insists on killing himself by degrees the law will step in and expedite the job for him. Will England protest against that as she did against blocking the opium trade in China?

An Akron, Ohio, man took it good naturedly when his wife deserted about twenty-five times, but when she skipped the twenty-seventh time and declared she wasn't coming back any more, he got real mad and went right off and filed an application for a divorce.

Within the past six months 127 new banks have been established in the South. Texas leads with 34 national and 5 State banks. The others come in order as follows: Georgia 12, Virginia 12, North Carolina 9, Kentucky 8, Arkansas 6, Louisiana 13, Maryland and Tennessee 5 each, Alabama and Mississippi 4 each.

According to a recent decision of the U. S. Supreme court a good many divorced people will find that they are not as much divorced as they thought they were. The court holds that when a divorced couple had legal residence in the State in which the divorce was granted it is valid in other States but where they did not have legal residence the divorce is not valid in other States.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

S. P. McNair—First patent flour.
Jas. T. Riley & Co.—Wall plaster.
Opera House—My Friend from India.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Mr. I. L. Greenewald has been elected Grand Treasurer of the Grand Council, Royal Arcanum, which is in session at Newbern. The Grand Council meets next year at Monroe.

— Mr. J. D. Steljes left last night for New York, from whence he will sail Saturday for Germany. He has been in ill health for some time and hopes to recuperate at his old home.

— Two cases of disorderly conduct were given a hearing in the municipal court yesterday. Jas. McFarland, colored, was fined $5, and judgment was suspended in the case of Robt. Smith.

— The Cape Fear Academy students will go down to Southport this morning on the steamer *Wilmington*. The outing will no doubt be very pleasant. Many others will take the trip with the academy boys.

— About a dozen tramps, who were slumbering peacefully at the power house of the Wilmington Street Railway Company last midnight, were locked up at the station house for a hearing this morning.

— The real estate agency of Mr. W. M. Cumming has negotiated the sale of a house and lot on Red Cross, between Eighth and Ninth streets, from Mr. W. E. Perdew to Mrs. Elizabeth P. LeGwin. The consideration is $700.

— A deed was recorded at the Court House yesterday transferring from DeLeon Fillyaw et al. to Wilhelmina G. E. Brunjes, property 66x165 feet on the west side of Fourth street, between Bladen and Harnett; consideration $1,300.

— On account of the Old Maids' Convention, the regular monthly meeting of the Cape Fear Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy will be held at the W. L. I. armory at 11 o'clock this (Friday) morning, instead of in the afternoon.

— A game of basket ball will be played at the City Hall Monday night between the "Longs" and "Shorts." Ten cents admission will be charged, and the receipts will go towards defraying the expenses of the reception to be given to the victorious Young Men's team.

OBSEQUIES OF COL. M'ILHENNY.

Many Friends Assembled at St. John's Church to Pay a Parting Tribute.

The obsequies over the remains of the lamented Col. Thos. C. McIlhenny were conducted yesterday morning at 11 o'clock at St. John's Episcopal Church in the presence of a large concourse of friends and acquaintances, notable among whom were many members of the Cape Fear Club. The services were impressively conducted by Rev. James Carmichael, D. D., the rector.

The remains of this highly esteemed gentleman were tenderly laid to rest in Oakdale cemetery.

Those who acted as pall bearers were as follows: Active, Messrs. Pembroke Jones, C. W. Yates, Geo. W. Kidder, J. H. McRee, Herbert C. Smith and Jno. H. Brown. Honorary, Capt. Alvis Walker, Col. Jno. D. Taylor, Col. A. M Waddell, Judge O. P. Meares, Dr. W. W. Harriss, Dr. Geo. G. Thomas, Dr. T. S. Burbank, Messrs. D. O'Connor, E. S. Martin and P. L. Bridgers.

WHOLESALE GROCERY DEALERS.

President of Southern Association Will Address Wilmington Jobbers.

Mr. J. A. VanHoose, of Birmingham, Ala., president of the Southern Wholesale Grocers' Association, who is travelling over the South in the interest of the trade, will arrive in Wilmington Saturday afternoon via the W. C. & A. railroad and will address the wholesale grocery merchants of Wilmington in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce in the Seaboard Air Line building on Saturday night at 8 o'clock.

The purpose of Mr. VanHoose's visit is to draw into close relationship the wholesale grocerymen of the South and the meeting will no doubt prove to be of material benefit to Wilmington dealers in this line. All jobbers of groceries are invited to be present and there should be a large attendance.

Enjoyable Joint Pythian Meeting.

The third of the joint meetings of the four lodges of Knights of Pythias of this city was held in Germania Lodge room last night. There was a large attendance of Pythians and the joint session was thoroughly enjoyable. The second rank was conferred upon two candidates, one from Clarendon Lodge No. 2, and one from Jefferson Lodge No. 61. After the business session, Past Grand Chancellor W. J. Woodward highly entertained those present with several beautiful musical selections on the zonophone. Germania Lodge proved themselves admirable hosts.

Old Maids.

To-night's the night for the Old Maids at the Opera House. Benefit Daughters of Confederacy. Barrels of fun. Funny Old Maids. Beautiful poses. Seats selling rapid. Big house promised sure for the Old Maids' Old bachelors and widows scrapping for front seats. Standing room sold at both Durham and Newbern. †

Don't forget to visit Rehder's. †

PORTSMOUTH WINS.

The Giants of Wilmington Went Down Before Crack Team of the League.

BY A VERY CLOSE SCORE.

"Down Home" Boys From Raleigh Succeeded in Winning From Shipbuilders. Skippers Won From Richmond Grays—Some Strong Ball

YESTERDAY'S GAMES.

Wilmington, 4; Portsmouth, 5.
Raleigh, 5; Newport News, 2.
Norfolk, 4; Richmond, 3

WHERE THEY PLAY TO-DAY.

Wilmington at Portsmouth,
Raleigh at Newport News,
Norfolk at Richmond.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS

	Won.	Lost	Per cent.
Norfolk	4	0	1.000
Newport News	2	2	.500
Portsmouth	2	2	.500
Wilmington	1	2	.333
Richmond	1	2	.333
Raleigh	1	3	.250

The Giants lost to Portsmouth yesterday on account of downright hard luck. The score was 5 to 4 and it could just as easily have been otherwise but for the lot having fallen to the other side.

All the runs save one for each team in the eighth, were scored in the first three innings and at no time was the result of the game certain until Wilmington was retired in the ninth. To those who look at the tabulated score and see the nine hits by Wilmington, "three baggers" by Stewart and Warren, and the lone five hits by Portsmouth, it will easily appear that this afternoon's game is ours and that the contest yesterday was lost by mere chance.

There is absolutely no reason for discouragement, for it is already conceded by all hands that Wilmington will push the Virginia brethren for the "rag" at the close of the season. Stewart was, of course, not in the best of form from his hard work on Monday, the diamond and environment was new to the team and even with these adverse circumstances, Wilmington played the game that would ordinarily have been a winner.

Following is the official tabulated score, the score by innings and a summary of the game:

PORTSMOUTH.

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Weaver, c f	3	1	0	4	1	0
Clarke, 2b	5	2	0	3	1	0
Kemmer, 1b	4	0	0	4	0	0
Murray, r f	4	1	2	3	0	0
Knau, s s	3	1	3	0	0	0
Gates, 3b	2	0	0	3	1	1
Swanders, l f	3	0	0	2	0	0
Westlake, c	4	0	0	8	0	0
Martin, p	4	0	0	0	1	0
	32	5	5	27	4	1

WILMINGTON.

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Warren, 3b	4	1	2	3	1	0
Cranston, c	4	0	1	5	1	0
Crockett, 2b	5	0	1	3	4	1
Stafford, 1b	5	1	2	9	0	0
McGinnis, c f	5	1	2	0	0	0
Allien, r f	3	0	0	3	0	0
Hollywood, l f	4	0	0	1	0	0
Clayton, s s	3	0	0	3	4	0
Stewart, p	4	1	1	0	3	1
	37	4	9	27	13	2

SCORE BY INNINGS.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H.	E.
Portsmouth	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	5	5	1
Wilmington	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	9	2

Summary: Earned runs, Portsmouth 3; Wilmington 3. Three base hits, Stewart and Warren; two base hits, Murray 2; stolen bases, Knau and McGinnis. Base on balls, off Martin, 5; off Stewart, 4. Struck out, by Martin 6; Stewart 2.

Time of game, 1:45.

Umpire, Mr. Staley.

On Other Diamonds Yesterday.

At Richmond—

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E
Richmond	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	10	2
Norfolk	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	x	4	8	5

Batteries—Bishop and Manner; Marrisie and Nelson.

At Newport News—

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E
Raleigh	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	1	0	5	7	4
News Hampton	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	5	2

Batteries—High and Foster; Weeks and LeGrande.

The News in Local Circles.

The game was received at the end of each three innings yesterday afternoon at the store of the Fishblate Clothing Company. The diamond at Portsmouth is two miles from telegraph or telephone lines, and the results were received at the Portsmouth office by special messenger and telegraphed to Wilmington. The bulletins will be received in the same way and at the same place, but more promptly this afternoon.

"Cy" Vorhees did not go to Portsmouth yesterday as expected. "Cy" decided to remain over in Charlotte for two or three days' practice there and will join the team at Wilmington Saturday or Sunday for the games next week. He wrote yesterday that he was in excellent trim and glad to be with Wilmington. He is a winner and nobody realizes the truth of the statement more than the managers of the other teams in the league, who tried hard for him.

Everybody in Wilmington was glad to see Raleigh "get a move on herself" against the Shipbuilders yesterday. Her record at Norfolk on the three preceding days excited nothing here but the sympathy one Tar Heel has for another Tar Heel in bad luck.

"Red" Gilligan, who is with Norfolk, has been dubbed the "Owl" and will henceforth be known and respected under that cognomen.

Portsmouth wants to give the Giants a new name—the "Terrapins." Wilmington denies the "allegation and defies the allegator." She will play play ball for it to day.

Richmond is fond of clean ball and was well pleased with the article afforded by Wilmington there this week. Speaking of Thomas' interference with Cranston Wednesday, the *Times* says:

Captain Soffie should call down First Baseman Thomas in his method of blocking opposition players and attempting to interfere with straight work. Upon two occasions yesterday he indulged in this sort of play and upon the second occasion he was called out very properly by Umpire Clark for interfering with Cranston in an attempt to catch Traeger at third base, in his effort to steal. These methods will not do at this stage of the game or any other. Richmond enthusiasts want nothing but clean ball, which has been promised them by Manager Kain.

Mayor Waddell will toss the first ball over the Wilmington diamond next week and Mr. W. A. Dick, president of the Association, will catch it. The diamond is now being put in excellent condition and the bleachers are being extended to accommodate 300 additional people.

The Street Railway Company is making unusual preparations for getting the crowds to and from Hilton. Two cars with accommodations for 150 people will leave the Front street junction each ten minutes preceding and during the progress of the game. After the game six cars will be in waiting, and cars after the departure of these will leave every ten minutes. The relaying of the track on Front street will not interfere with the traffic as the work will be prosecuted while the team is away.

OLD MAIDS' CONVENTION.

Fun for Everybody at the Opera House To-night—Many Splendid Poses.

The "Old Maids' Convention" at the Opera House to-night bids fair to be one of the most interesting and highly amusing entertainments presented by local talent in some time and, judging from the rush for seats, standing room will be at a premium. Endless fun is promised and there will be many beautiful poses. The rejuvenating machine is of the latest and most improved pattern and the result of its work to-night will be wonderful.

The final practice was held at the Opera House yesterday afternoon and everything is now in perfect readiness. The convention is for the benefit of the Daughters of the Confederacy, who are securing funds to entertain the United Daughters of the Confederacy at their annual convention in Wilmington this Fall. The convention will be a big success. It is given for a most worthy cause and, therefore, deserves a very large patronage. The entire "baldhead row" has been reserved by the old bachelors. Let everybody come to see the "Old Maids" to-night.

Price of admission 50 cents, children under 15 years of age 25 cents.

WANT SECOND STREET IMPROVED.

Meeting of Property Owners—Will Send Delegation to Aldermanic Committee.

Property owners along Second, between Dock and Castle streets, will make a very determined effort to have this thoroughfare macadamized by the city during the coming year. To this end a meeting of a number of gentlemen interested was held yesterday afternoon at the real estate office of Mr. W. M. Cumming, and the following committee was appointed to confer with the streets and wharves committee of the Board of Aldermen relative to the subject: Mr. George D. Parsley (chairman), Mr. W. M. Cumming, Mr. F. A. Montgomery, Mr. J. C. Shepard, Jr., Dr. W. J. H. Bellamy and Mr. W. J. Reaves.

The argument will be advanced to the city authorities that south of Market, Front and Third to Castle, are improved; Fourth to Nun, Fifth to Church and Sixth to Nun is also improved, and that it would be entirely uniform and in keeping with "the eternal fitness of things," so to speak, if Second, between the points indicated, is given a macadam bed. The improvement to Second, south of Market street, extends only to Dock.

A COMPETITIVE DRILL.

All Companies in the State Guard Asked to Send Representatives.

Capt. A. P. Adrian, of the Wilmington Light Infantry, is in receipt of a letter from Capt. J. J. Bernard, of the Raleigh Light Infantry, inviting two members of the W. L. I. to participate in a competitive drill to be held in Raleigh on May 10th under the auspices of the Raleigh Light Infantry. Each company in the State Guard has been invited to send two men and the drill will no doubt attract much attention. A $35 gold medal will be awarded to the best drilled man in the contest.

Capt. Adrian stated to a reporter that the W. L. I. would be represented. A competitive drill will be held by the company in a few days and the two best drilled men in the company will be sent.

Ocean View Hotel.

The Ocean View Hotel at Wrightsville, has been leased to Mrs. W. E. Mayo again this season. The third story of the building which hitherto was unused, is being finished so that the hotel will have twelve more rooms than heretofore. Other improvements are also being made at the hotel and a successful season is assured.

Old Maids.

All is ready for the Old Maids at the Opera House to-night. There will be endless fun. Big house assured. Get a seat at once. Benefit of Daughters o' the Confederacy. Exquisite poses. The convention always pleases. †

Two more bargain days at Rehder's. †

PETERSON VS. CITY.

Demurrer by Defendant's Attorney Was Sustained and the Case Dismissed.

APPEAL TO SUPREME COURT.

Business of First Week of Term Completed and Recess Taken Until Monday. Cases Continued; Others Set for Special Hearing.

The case of H. L. Peterson against the city of Wilmington, in which the plaintiff sought to recover $10,000 damages for injuries received in a collision of fire apparatus at the corner of Third and Market streets, on the night of June 7th, 1898, is at an end, so far as the Superior Court is concerned, and the defendant goes without damages. The case has been appealed to the Supreme Court, however, and not until a decision from this source is received will the city be finally relieved of the alleged damage.

The hearing of the case occupied almost the entire day in the Superior Court yesterday and was finally disposed of when Judge Hoke, after hearing the testimony of the plaintiff, sustained the demurrer of Iredell Meares, Esq., counsel for the defendant, and dismissed the case. Messrs. Stevens, Beasley & Weeks and L. V. Grady, counsel for the plaintiff, made exception to the Judge's ruling as to the demurrer and appealed to the Supreme Court.

The demurrer of Mr. Meares was to the effect that, conceding the facts proved by plaintiff to be true, plaintiff is not entitled to recover against the city, for the city, in maintaining a fire department, was acting in its capacity, not as a private corporation, but as a sub division of the State government, and as the State cannot be sued for the wrongful acts of its agents, so the city, acting in a governmental capacity, cannot be sued.

The question was submitted as the same raised by Mr. Meares on demurrer in the case of McIlhenny vs. City, which was upheld by the Supreme Court as applied to the police department. The demurrer in this case sought to apply the same doctrine to the fire department.

The plaintiff, besides testifying himself, introduced George Murray, a colored fireman at the time, and Drs. A. H. Harriss and J. C. Shepard, plaintiff's attending physicians. The defendant introduced no testimony whatever.

Divorces were granted in the cases of E. H. Ellis vs. Ira T. Ellis and Isam Thompson vs. Margaret A. Thompson.

The case of Northrop vs. Sedgeley Hall Club was set for the second case for trial on Wednesday of next week, and the case of National Cash Register Co. vs. Lucy J. Farriss was set for the third case on the same day.

With the continuance of these cases until next week, the compromise of the Shepard suit last week, and the continuance of many other matters for the term, the work of the first week of the court was completed and an adjournment was taken until Monday at 2 P. M. Judge Hoke left in the afternoon for his home at Lincolnton, N. C., but will return on the Carolina Central train Monday at noon.

The suit of Penny against the W., C. & A. R. R. Co. will be taken up the first thing upon the re opening of court and will last for several days. Eight extra talesman have been summoned for duty on that day.

SMALLPOX AT FAYETTEVILLE

Reported That There Was An Outbreak in the County Jail There Yesterday. Report Lacks Confirmation.

A report reached the city yesterday morning that smallpox had broken out in the county jail at Fayetteville. Two United States prisoners confined there were ordered transferred to Wilmington, but the Board of Health here got news of the supposed prevalence of the disease in the jail at Fayetteville, and Mayor Waddell immediately notified the authorities there through the railroad company, that the prisoners would not be allowed here, and that the train would not be allowed within the city limits with smallpox "contacts" aboard.

Chief Quarantine Officer Green met the train from Fayetteville last evening but, of course, the prisoners were not sent here. The Fayetteville *Observer* yesterday afternoon contains no mention whatever of any outbreak of the disease in that city.

Jr. O. U. A. M. Celebration.

The address of welcome at the celebration of its second anniversary by the Junior Order of United American Mechanics next Wednesday night will be by Wm. J. Bellamy, Esq., and the regular address upon the occasion will be by L. V. Grady, Esq. After the address of welcome there will be music by a quartette, and after Mr. Grady's address there will be a bountiful spread of refreshments. "Home Sweet Home" will be sung by the quartette as a closing of the exercises.

Wilmington Lodge of Elks.

The Wilmington Lodge of Elks initiated two new members at a meeting last night. They were Capt. Geo. L. Morton and Dr. J. C. Wessell. William J. Bellamy, Esq., was elected Esteemed Leading Knight to succeed Dr. Andrew H. Harris, resigned.

Two more bargain days at Rehder's. †

WOODMEN'S MONUMENT UNVEILING.

Fourth Sunday in May Selected As Date for Ceremonies at Newbern.

The fourth Sunday in May, the 26th prox., has been definitely decided upon as the date for the ceremonies attending the unveiling of the monument erected at Newbern over the grave of its late Sovereign, J. B. McDaniel, by Live Oak Camp No. 6, Woodmen of the World, of this city.

The Camp will attend the exercises in a body and will leave on a special train at 7:30 o'clock on the morning of the unveiling, returning in the evening. The Camp will take along with the party a special choir and will be glad to have as many of its Wilmington friends as possible to attend with members of the order. A fare of only $1 for the round trip on the special train will be charged.

J. O. Carr, Esq., of this city, will deliver the oration, and Dr. J. D. Webster has been selected as Chief Marshal. The committee which has charge of the arrangements for the event is composed of Messrs A. H. Paddison, Jno. E. Wood, George C. Jackson, W. H. Howell, Benj. Bell, J. W. Fleet and Dr. Webster.

STATE GUARD ENCAMPMENT.

Adjutant General Royster Has Interesting Interview in Raleigh Paper—Probably Comes to Wrightsville.

Adjutant General B. S. Royster, of the North Carolina State Guard, in an interview printed in yesterday's Raleigh *News and Observer* says:

"An encampment this year is assured. Though the details have not yet been arranged, it is certain that the members of the State Guard will have an encampment this Summer. I am not authorized to name any time or place—for both are yet to be decided—but I think it very probable that it will be held early in July at Wrightsville.

"Of course," he added, "the place selected will depend much on the inducements offered, both by the place and the railroads, but I think a majority of the Guard prefer Wrightsville, all other things being equal."

Asked why Wrightsville was preferred, Gen. Royster said encampments had been held at various places and that on account of its closeness to the city of Wilmington and Ocean View, the convenience of the surf and the splendid transportation facilities, the men generally preferred Wrightsville, as affording them a more profitable outing and more real enjoyment.

He thought the month of July would probably be chosen for the reason that the members of the Guard could more easily leave their business in that month than any other.

The Bar Association and the Teachers' Assembly also meet at Wrightsville this summer and a gay season there is promised.

WHY TEACHERS SHOULD COME.

Prof. Mebane Enumerates Some Reasons for Attending Teachers' Assembly.

Prof C. H. Mebane, secretary of the N. C. Teachers' Assembly, gives the following among many other reasons why every North Carolina teacher should arrange to come to Wrightsville this year:

It is the first time that this celebrated watering place ever had hotel facilities sufficient to accommodate the hosts of teachers that gather each year.

The railroad fare on the average will be one third less.

The Seashore and Ocean View hotels face the ocean, being out upon the beach, and surf bathing can be had at any hour of the day without the long and itiresome and costly effort they had at Morehead City.

From Wilmington an ocean going excursion steamer will make frequent trips down the Cape Fear and out upon the ocean from Wrightsville. Special rates to members of the Assembly.

Teachers will have an opportunity of visiting our largest city, Wilmington, daily, at the low rate of twelve and a half cents each way.

Every North Carolina teacher should avail himself of this week's outing at the seashore, (*the real seashore this time*), from June 11th to 16th.

"MY FRIEND FROM INDIA."

Last Regular Attraction of the Season at Wilmington's Opera House.

One of the notable attractions of the season comes to the Opera House next Monday night when the Myron B. Rice Comedy Company will present H. A. Du Souchet's eighteen karat masterpiece of humor, "My Friend from India," interpreted by the very best company that probably ever played the piece, headed by a comedienne said to be the most unique in the world, Miss May Vokes, who will be in her original character of 'Tilly,' the eccentric German maid, a character made famous by her and played by her continuously for more than one thousand nights. This year Miss Vokes is doing for the first time a unique song and dance, said to be exceedingly funny. A distinctly metropolitan cast surrounds Miss Vokes as the following names will show: E Lute Vrohman, John F. Ward, Frank Parry, Lewis Peters, Millard Simpson, Wm. T. Gaunt, Frank Hall, Oscar Luckstone, Rose E. Tapley, Maude Whyte, Emma Chase and Edna Ewen.

The sale of seats begins to-morrow morning at Gerkin's.

SHIPMENT OF STRAWBERRIES.

First Full Crate Went From Ashton Yesterday to Providence, R. I.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

BURGAW, N. C., April 18.—The first full crate of berries that have been reported shipped from the State, went forward this morning from Ashton, a station four miles from here, and was shipped by Mr. S. J. Sidbury, and consigned to Philip E Eddy, commission merchant, Providence, R. I. Mr. Sidbury shipped the first last season that went from this road.

For Whooping Cough use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT. †

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. K. M. Murchison, Jr., left last night for New York.

— Mr. J. VanB. Metts returned last night from Raleigh.

— Mr. Daniel Leonard, of Kerr, Sampson county, is in the city.

— Mr. F. Dickinson, of Rockingham, N. C., registered at The Orton yesterday.

— Mr. M. T. Jordan and wife, of Causey, S. C., were arrivals at The Orton yesterday.

— Misses E. and I. Dudley, of Bennettsville, S. C., were guests at The Orton yesterday.

— Mr. E. F. Young, a prominent business man, of Dunn, N. C., registered at The Orton yesterday.

— Messrs. D. I. and J. W. S. Robinson, of Delta, N. C., made business trips to the city yesterday.

— Mrs. G. W. Clark and child left yesterday returning to Watertown, N. J., after a visit to Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Barber, Mrs. Clark's parents.

— Rev. and Mrs. Richard W. Hogue left yesterday afternoon, returning to Sheffield, Ala. Rev. Mr. Hogue's decision is expected in a few days.

— Mr. Archie McQueen, of Rowland, N. C., who has been in the city for several months for the osteopathic treatment, left yesterday morning for his home. He was accompanied by Mr. D. N. Oliver, of Rowland.

— Yesterday's Fayetteville *Observer* says: "Mr. Pembroke Jones came up from Wilmington yesterday morning and returned that afternoon, accompanied by Mrs. Jones and the children, who have been on a visit to Tokay, and Col. and Mrs. Green and Mrs. Cook, who will be guests at Airlee for a few days."

Desk Broken Open and Rifled.

A desk in the office of Mr. William Eckles, who keeps a junk store upstairs in the building on corner of Chesnut and Water streets, was broken open Wednesday afternoon, between 1 and 2 o'clock, and between $30 and $35 in silver money and five pistols were stolen. Mr. Eckles thinks that the robbery was the work of a gang of small negro boys, as all the signs about the desk indicated that no grown person perpetrated the theft. There was about $75 in the desk, but only the amount named was stolen, and the remaining money, although easily accessible, was left. False keys were used in making the robbery.

The Dickinson Property.

It is learned that negotiations are being made for an exchange of properties by the Cape Fear Club and the Murchison National Bank, the recent purchaser of the valuable Dickinson lot on Front street. The large residence on the Dickinson lot is said to be admirably adapted to club purposes and the lot now occupied by the Cape Fear Club would be an ideal place for the handsome building that the bank people will erect.

THE ASSOCIATED CHARITIES.

Report of Receipts and Disbursements for the Month of March.

Receipts.—County, $1.25; cash, $6; Sabbath School Temple of Israel, $5; Market street M. E. church, $2.25; J. V. Grainger, $10; cash, $5; Mrs. Elizabeth Latimer, $7.50; Wm. Latimer, $7.50; Fifth Street M. E church, $7.50.

Expenses—Secretary's salary, $25; Catharine Kennedy Home, $12.50; services, $99.25; benefit for those in need, $14 50; wood, $66.50; cash help, $8; janitor, $2 50; printing, $10; railroad fare, $5.12; funeral expenses, $2; postage, $1 65; storing wood, $15.

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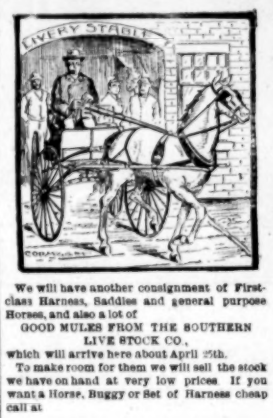
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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, APRIL 19.

"THE COMBINE BOGY."

Our British cousins seem to be getting over the fright given them by the organization of the big Morgan Rockfeller steel combine, which they were afraid was going to swallow them whole. Since they have not been swallowed, but continue to survive they are hopeful that they will not only continue to live but may be happy. This is about the view that is taken of it in the following clipped from the London *Commerce*, one of the leading commercial papers of England. Referring to the alarm felt by English steel makers when the American combine was formed, it says:

"Our iron and steel industries are not going to be swamped at one fell swoop after all by that huge combination in Amerila, which has hung like a black cloud over them during the past few months. Whilst we have shared the anxiety which was naturally felt at the birth of the transpontine monster, we have not been apprehensive as to the immediate effects of it. The stagnation which has been felt latterly has been due to causes in which the American Steel Trust played no part whatever. It has been the inevitable collapse which invariably follows periods of great activity. It is gratifying after the fall which has taken place to observe signs of steadiness. Inquiries from consumers have been more active recently, and these, in view of the great contraction which has taken place in the production of pig iron, leading to the depletion of stocks, incline us to hope that none of the furnaces now in blast will be put out for some time to come, if it all. Glancing at the American iron and steel trade, we find that it is recovering rapidly from the effects of the recent reaction. This is no doubt attributable partly to the combine, which has done away with a great deal of the competition which existed previously, and has sent up the price of finished material. This will be hailed with delight by the British manufacturers, in as much as it makes it more difficult for America to compete with us in our own foreign markets. Moreover, the home demand in America is such that a considerable increase has had to be made in the output of pig iron in that country in order to meet the requirements of the home trade. The combine bogy is certainly less terrifying the more we regard it calmly."

Our British cousins had been smarting so much from the effects of American competition before this huge combine came into existence it is not surprising that they became nervous and alarmed and apprehensive of disaster, for they had never been tackled by anything like that before. Now they have come to the conclusion that it isn't such a terrible thing after all and they may pluck up their courage, go on and attend to business as heretofore, feeling pretty sure that the big Trust can't run the whole earth. Although it is not said in so many words, the English editor thinks the American consumers of steel have a good deal more to fear from this big combine than the British steel makers have. It began operations by raising the price of the finished material, which it was in a position to do after the plants had been consolidated and competition done away with. That's the way it braced up and made large margins for profits. Of course the American consumers had to pay the advanced prices because the combine controlled the steel market and they had to use its steel or go without any. But they had to have it and therefore had to pay the combine's price.

In this connection it is worth noting that one of the alleged benefits which it was said the public would derive from such combinations is that by dispensing with so many managers, salesmen and other middlemen, dealing directly with customers the combine would save a great deal of money and thus be enabled to furnish cheaper goods. As an illustration of this fake we have this monster combine which by economizing in the cost of production and marketing was to save many millions advancing prices at the beginning of its operations, thus making profits at both ends, first in the economizing process and then in the advanced prices it got for its productions.

Our British cousins rejoice in this because they see in it escape from what might become a very troublesome and dangerous competition if the combine had determined to reduce prices and make an effort at active competition on the other side of the seas. While it keeps prices up on this side and devotes its attention to exploiting the home market they feel safe and while it can find at home a reasonable market for its products at a large profit it is not going to devote much attention to the foreign markets with small profits. This is, of course, just as the foreign steel makers would have it so the big combine instead of being their peace disturber becomes really their benefactor and friend.

But this combine with its billion dollar capitalization was not so organized as to have an absolute monopoly of the American market. There were some kinds of goods in which it might have competition. It had not embraced the Southern iron and steel plants. The time had not quite come for that, but now there is a movement on foot to consolidate the Southern plants as a preliminary to taking them into the big combine, which will then be the imperial ruler of the American iron and steel trade. This scheme, we learn from the press dispatches, is under discussion now and fairly under way. We remarked some time ago in commenting upon the contemplated consolidation of a number of Southern plants that it was probably the preliminary movement to absorption by the Northern combine.

When the Trusts before the combine was formed had advanced prices all along the line, and the combine has made still further advances what may the public not expect when all possible competition has been eliminated and it becomes absolute autocrat of the iron and steel business?

Then it will under one fictitious excuse or another raise prices just as high as consumers will stand, as high as it dare do without running the risk of so contracting consumption as to materially reduce it and thus reduce the profits below the point of paying dividends on the investments in the plants that make up the combine. It will require a good deal of business to pay dividends on a billion-dollar investment. The business that is expected to do that will not stand any foolishness nor much experiment. It will take a good deal more tact and sense to run that colossal concern successfully than it did to organize it. If the directing spirits show too much greed and want to make it all at once without any consideration for the people with whom they deal they may overreach themselves, cripple their home markets, and find themselves with a big surplus on their hands when they least expected it and were least able to carry it.

In the meantime it looks as if the American consumers of steel have more to fear from this "combine bogy," as the English paper calls it, than the British steel makers have.

EXPEDIENCY EMPHASIZED BY JUSTICE

The leaders in the Republican party who feel under obligations to the Trusts and recoil from the idea of attacking and thus antagonizing them, are doing all they can to check the Babcock movement, and undermine his influence with his Republican colleagues in Congress. But that movement has got too far along to stop stop it even if Mr. Babcock were persuaded or whipped into inactivity.

Whether he is or is not much of a fighter in the party we do not know, but the Washington *Post*, which has had opportunity to become pretty well acquainted with him doesn't seem to think that he will be either easily persuaded or whipped into taking the back track. It gives him credit for both sagacity to foresee the expedient in politics and the tenacity to hold on when he does see. Referring to his attitude on the Trust issue and to that of the Republicans who differ from him, it says;

"Representative Babcock is quite as shrewd a politician as Chairman Payne, of the Ways and Means Committee, or any other of the limited number of conspicuous Republicans who have risen up and cried aloud against any attempt at anti trust tariff legislation. No public man of any party is better qualified than Mr. Babcock to give an intelligent opinion as to the necessities of the Republican situation. As chairman of the Republican Congressional Committee in several campaigns he has had exceptional facilities for feeling the public pulse, and he has shown on many occasions, a rare capacity for detecting the trend of public sentiment.

"It is a reasonable presumption that party expediency was one of the factors which so shaped Mr. Babcock's judgment that he started the movement for depriving monopolistic combinations of the tariff protection which they are abusing. He naturally desires his party to maintain its ascendency in Congress. He hopes his party's four successive victories in Congressional elections will be followed by another in 1902. The fact that he has started this reform is equivalent to an emphatic declaration that he deems it expedient as a preparation for another successful appeal to the people.

"And Mr. Babcock is too sagacious a politician not to realize that its expediency is emphasized by its justice. He is the last man who would start or give aid or comfort to a factional fight in his party, unless he believed that such a disturbance would avert a greater disaster. And Mr. Payne and others who have raised a protest may rest assured that Mr. Babcock, having carefully weighed the matter before setting out, and being fully satisfied that he is right, will go ahead. Mr. Payne and his associates may be astonished before long at the strength which Mr. Babcock's reform movement has developed."

The *Post* is a politically independent, moderate protection paper, but like Mr. Babcock it, too, sees not only the expediency but the justice of putting the brakes on the Trusts.

Mr. Babcock may have some fighting to do in his own party, but he is getting a good deal of encouragement from Republicans in his own and other Western States, and will when he moves have solid Democratic backing.

Mr. Witherow undertook a pretty large job when he tackled the Carnegie Steel Company for $50,000,000 damages for infringement of his patent for blowing hot air into molten steel to prevent it from cooling too quickly. It has been decided that in the process used his patent was infringed, and hence the suit for $50,000,000 damages. But unfortunately for Mr. Witherow he has to buck up against the steel combine which has absorbed the Carnegie plant, and it has lots of money to hire cute lawyers.

The latest in the Trust line is that John D. Rockefeller and others are manipulating a $200,000,000 Copper Trust.

EDUCATION IN THE SOUTH.

A dispatch published yesterday stated that a party of sixty Northern gentlemen of wealth, or representing wealth, were on a tour of inspection of the schools in the South. As far as we can judge their attention will be principally centered on colored and industrial schools. Whether this visit is the result of a suggestion to that effect made some time ago by a Northern paper, we do not know, but the result will probably be to stimulate a livelier interest in our Southern schools among men who donate money for educational purposes, very little of which has been given to Southern schools by wealthy men on the other side of the line. What has been done for education in the South has been practically done by the Southerners themselves, although there are very few millionaires among them.

In commenting upon the suggestion that Northern men interested in the subject of education visit the schools at Hampton, Winston, Tuskegee and elsewhere, to get an idea of what is being done for education in the South, the Chattanooga *Times* remarks that this would give but a very small idea of what the Southern people have done and are doing for education, and adds:

"We think that one might know all about the work done at Hampton and Winston, and know little or nothing that would be worth the knowing, of the progress of education in the South. We think a full knowledge of the splendid work done and being done at Tuskegee would, by itself, convey the merest faint outline of an idea, to the mind of the visitor, of what the South is doing in the cause of enlightenment. The two first schools are typical of no system in the South. They stand for nothing of a general nature, are in no sense representative of the Southern educational movement. To get an idea of that movement one must see the great number of special and general and public institutions that have been rehabilitated since 1870, or created in the last thirty years. Most necessary of all evidence upon the subject is that provided by the public school system for both races.

"The man or woman who knows that the twelve States which composed the Southern Confederacy, have expended upon this system $640,000,000 since 1875. $114,000,000 of which went to the support of schools for colored children, knows one important fact of the true spirit of the Southern people, with reference to the education of their children; and the tracing through its various ramifications the result of this large expenditure in dispelling illiteracy and lifting up the Southern masses, will give the inquirer after the basic facts of the subject, knowledge of real value to him; will impart to him the means of correctly estimating the moral and intellectual present value of the Southern section.

"As we have said, the three special schools mentioned here hardly more than touch the masses of the South. Neither do the academies, colleges and universities in the South, of recent or of more ancient date stand as concrete proof that the Southern people, as a people, are imbued with the right animus in this vital matter. But for the millions the people contribute for the grounding of the children in the rudiments, giving them a taste of an appetite for learning, where would any of the "higher institutions" be? Nowhere.

The South has been charged with lack of interest in popular education by people who do not fully understand the conditions, and therefore do not really know what they are talking about. The popular educational problem is a much more difficult one to handle in the South than it is in the North, for here we have co-incident with and associated with it the race problem, which makes it necessary to have two schools in the South to support, where in the North but one would be necessary. This in the South divides the school fund, which in the North need not be divided. Then again the rural sections of the South are more sparsely inhabited than the average Northern or Western State is, and this sparse population is composed of two races, making it still more difficult to establish schools and keep them in operation for any length of time.

There are other difficulties in the way, but these two will suffice to give some idea of the obstacles the South has to overcome in establishing and maintaining public schools, obstacles that do not present themselves in Northern or Western States.

A Des Moines, Iowa, inventor has invented a one-half horse power engine which in three months has been run most of the time on a pint of water. There is no exhaust, the steam is condensed and returns to the boiler to be used again. The inventor says it will keep on running that way. If so he has got mighty close on to perpetual motion.

President Wright, colored, of the Georgia (col.) State Industrial College, was right the other day when he told the Industrial Commission that it would have been better for the negro if his "friends" had given him forty acres and a mule instead of the ballot. They would have got more profit out of the land and more fun out of the mule.

A Life and Death Fight.

Mr. W. A. Hines, of Manchester, Ia., writing of his almost miraculous escape from death, says: "Exposure after measles induced serious lung trouble, which ended in Consumption. I had frequent hemorrhages and coughed night and day. All my doctors said that I must soon die. Then I began to use Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, which completely cured me. I would not do without it even if it cost $5.00 a bottle. Hundreds have used it on my recommendation and all say it never fails to cure Throat, Chest and Lung Troubles. Regular size 50c and $1 00. Trial bottles 10 cents at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE

— Monroe *Journal*: Rev. A. T. Latta, a well known citizen of Monroe, died at his home here at 8 o'clock Friday morning. He had been feeble for several years. —— Mr. Frank Griffin, of Marshville township, died last Thursday night. He had been sick for sometime with pneumonia, and a few days before his death was stricken with paralysis.

— Clinton *Democrat*: Mr. Ammie Pope tells the following concerning his father, Mr. Stephen Pope, who is 82 years of age. The old gentleman lost all of his teeth a few years ago, and at this ripe old age is cutting a new set. His gums had been swollen for some time and would itch and burn as naturally as those of an infant of a few months, and his teeth are now coming through as white and bright as a new silver dollar.

— Clarkton *Express*: We regret to learn that Mr. A. M. Shaw was very severely burned one day last week. He was burning off an old field and became overheated and fainted. His arm and face were badly burned. —— A good many forest fires have burned in this section recently. Perhaps the biggest was the one which started near Sanderlin's mill and burned through what is called the old Currie place, land belonging to N. A. Currie & Bro. The fire also damaged the lands of Mr. C K Baldwin and others.

— Greensboro *Record*: So far not a particle of the fruit in this section is hurt. It is probably all out and in shape to be killed, but there have been no freezes or frosts. It may be of interest to state that only once in the last fourteen years has fruit been killed in this section after the middle of April. Once, twenty years ago, it was killed on the night of the 23rd of April, when a heavy freeze came and simply demolished it. Very old people remember when it was once killed as late as the 10th of May, but that has been a long time ago.

— Wilson *News*: As stated in Tuesday's *News* what appeared in our columns was on only concerning the unfortunate affair which resulted in the death of Dempsy Pool and the perhaps fatal wounding of his son Charles. According to the evidence, it was the Pool family that started the trouble, and although Stephen Simms was armed, he started off and was at length forced to fire, being closely pressed by the Pool family, some of whom were armed. At the first shot Dempsey Pool fell and then Charles Pool fired at Simms, who, after again striving to escape, at length fired on Charles. The coroner's jury brought in a verdict of justifiable homicide and Simms is to-day a free man.

— Rocky Mount *Motor*: It is with great regret that we announce the sad death of Mrs. Berry Freeman. Death was sudden, almost instantaneous, being due to heart failure. —— We regret to announce the death of Mr. James B. Marriott, who died from disease of the kidneys at the Hammond Hotel, in this place, Monday night —— More complaint is made this Spring than ever before of moles ruining bulbous plants and vegetables —— The board of town commissioners on Wednesday, the 10th inst., sold at public action the $40,000 worth of bonds voted March 19th for the electric light and sewerage system. At the same time the Board of Graded School Trustees sold the $15,000 worth of graded school bonds. The bidders at the sale were F. M Stafford & Co., of Chattanooga, Tenn., and Seasongood & Mayer and Rudolph, Kleybolt & Co., of Cincinnati. The last named firm bought the entire issue, paying 5 per cent., with a premium of $1,500.

— Chatham *Record*: Although the past winter has been unusually mild, yet the spring has been backward and cool. There was a considerable frost so late as last Tuesday, and another Wednesday morning. —— Mrs. Elizabeth Gunter, of Cape Fear township, was burned to death last week. On Wednesday she went to where her son, Mr. T. M. Gunter, was burning off his new ground, and by some means her dress caught on fire. The nearest person to her was her daughter-in law, who ran to her and tried to put out the fire, but instead of doing that her own dress caught on fire. Mr. T. N. Gunter then ran to his mother and wife, the dresses of both burning, and tried to extinguish the flames. He succeeded in putting out the fire on his wife, but his mother's clothing was all burned off of her and she died Friday morning, after suffering intense agony. Mr. Gunter's hands were horribly burned in his efforts to save his wife and mother, and it is feared he will never be able to use them any more.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— The interviews being given out by various congressmen returning from Cuba prove conclusively that they all succeeded by personal investigation in confirming the opinions which they previously entertained on the subject.—*Atlanta Journal, Dem.*

—— "Engineer John Pennock, of Parkersburg, remained on his engine and was killed," is the brief way in which a press dispatch puts it. There are no honors, not even a pension, for the widow in this case of heroism. John Pennock didn't wear soldier clothes.—*Washington Post, Ind.*

—— The American way of competing with pauper labor has been by devising machinery that could do the work so cheaply as to make pauper labor dear by contrast. But it is more than doubtful whether in growing tea or producing raw silk ingenuity can devise any substitute for hand labor. Those industries may be safely left in the hands of the Asiatics. American labor can be more profitably employed, and our workingmen and women can afford to drink tea and wear the silk produced by less favored workers.—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

—— The strike of some of the employees of a branch of the Steel Trust seems to be due solely to the opposition of organized capital to organized labor: and if the sixty thousand members of the Amalgamated Association should go out in sympathy, the consequences to trade would doubless be very serious, because theirs is skilled labor and their places would be hard to fill. At the same time there is reason to believe that the Trust would suffer less than the employees.—*Brooklyn Citizen, Dem.*

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TWINKLINGS

— His Usual Need—"Did he prove to be a friend in need?" "Well, yes; he was usually. But he seldom needed more than two dollars."—*Harper's Bazar.*

— Jack—"Don't you think that woman, as a rule, prefers a man who is her master?" Ethel—"Not at all. She prefers one who thinks he is."—*Tit-Bits*

— "I think it's a great pity everybody don't like music." "You do, eh?" "Yes; because they have to stand a lot of it, whether they do or not."—*Puck.*

— The Infantile Idea—"Yes, dear, I voted for him, although he's a Democrat." "Why, papa, how can such a nice candy man be a Democrat!"—*Chicago Tribune.*

— Accounted For: "The Blimbersons keep a butler now." "Is that so? I've been wondering why the old man hates to go home to meals lately."—*Chicago Record Herald.*

— Pa's Way with Tommy: Tommy—"I hate to have ma whip me" Jimmy—"Aw — wimmen can't bit hard." Tommy—"That's it; pa thinks she don't half do it—so he alius gives me some, too."

— Not Up to Date—"What a horse laugh he has," said Ethel, not unkindly, but discriminatively. "Y-e-s," added Blanche, "I wonder why he dosen't get a horseless laugh."—*Pittsburg Chronicle Telegraph*

— A Daughter of Eve: Wife (dressed for the opera)—"For goodness sake, why did you get all these flowers?" Husband—"I thought it would be well for you, dear, to have something to cover you."—*Philadelphia Press.*

— Two Cures.—"Ah! Gadsby, howdy? I want to tell you how Christian Science cured me of the grip" "All right, old man! When you get through I want to tell you how the grip cured me of Christian Science."—*Puck.*

— "John," said the village cobbler's wife, "I jest can't get them chickens okt of our truck garden." "Dir yet try very hard," inquired the cobbler. "Well. I bin a 'shooing' 'em every now and then." "Mebbe yer shoes are only half-soled.

— Flossie—"Oh, aunty, dear, don't go yet, please!" Aunty—"But I must, darling. I'd like to stay; and it's so sweet of you to love me so!" Flossie—"Oh, aunty, don't go! Mamma said she would whip me as soon as you went away."—*Brooklyn Life.*

— Silent Criticism—"She is very nice and all that; but she is altogether too critical." "I assure you she never speaks of you but in the kindliest ways" "P'raps so, but every time I see her she gives me the impression that my frock doesn't fit."—*Brooklyn Life.*

Presiding Elder's Appointments, Wilmington District.

Burgaw, Burgaw Creek, April 20, 21.
Southport, April 28, 29.
Clinton, Kendall's, May 4, 5.
Scott's Hill, Bethany, May 11, 12.
Fifth Street, May 12.
Magnolia, Magnolia, May 18, 19.
Elizabeth, Purdie's, May 25, 26.
Bladen, Deem's Capel, May 26, 27.
Kenansville, Warsaw, June 1, 2.
Grace, June 2, 3.
Onslow, ———, June 7.
Jacksonville and Richlands, Jacksonville, June 8, 9.
Waccamaw, Zion, June 15, 16.
Whiteville, Cerro Gordo, June 17.
Market Street, June 23, 24.

R. B. JOHN.

Always Willing to Oblige.

It was a Texas town, and a long limbed Texan was making across the public square toward the courthouse with a revolver in his hand when he was stopped by a man who asked:

"Are you on your way to the courthouse?"

"Yes, sir; I am," was the reply.

"Going to shoot anybody?"

"Yes, sir; Lawyer Johnson. If it hadn't been for him, I shouldn't have lost my case yesterday. Yes, sir; going to fill him full of lead."

"Are you in any great hurry about it?"

"No special hurry, but when I have shooting on hand I like to get it off my mind as soon as possible."

"Of course; but, you see, Lawyer Johnson is now arguing a case for me and won't be through for 40 minutes. He's going to win it for sure if not interrupted, and if you will only hold on for awhile you will do me a great favor."

"Why, certainly; glad you mentioned it; no hurry about the shooting so as it comes off today, and you can count on me. Have a drink with you? With the greatest of pleasure, and if Johnson is a particular friend of yours I'll shoot him as softly as I can and give him every show to die like a gentleman."—Boston Globe.

The Useful Telephone.

Two young ladies on St. Paul street went to the theater the other evening, and their father, thinking they had a latchkey, went to bed at his usual hour, and the servants all left. When the ladies returned, they rang the bell repeatedly and beat on the door, but got no answer. Finally they began to despair, when a neighbor who had been awakened by the din appeared in white at his window opposite and asked what was the matter.

"We are locked out and cannot awake papa," came the reply in duet.

"Wait a minute," said the quick witted man on the other side of the street. "Your father has a telephone in his room, and I will call him up." So the central was called.

"Give me number ——," said the neighbor.

As soon as the bell sounded in the room of the sleeping father he awoke with a start and ran to the telephone.

"Hello, what is the matter?"

"Is that you, So-and-so?"

"Yes; what is wanted?"

"Your daughters are at the front door trying to get in. Open the door. Good night."—Baltimore Sun.

Glorious News

Comes from Dr. D. B. Cargile, of Washita, I. T. He writes: "Four bottles of Electric Bitters has cured Mrs. Brewer of scorfula, which had caused her great suffering for years. Terrible sores would break out on her head and face, and the best doctors could give no help; but her cure is complete and her health is excellent. This shows what thousands have proved,—that Electric Bitters is the best blood purifier known. It's the supreme remedy for eczema, tetter, salt rheum, ulcers, boils and running sores. It stimulates liver, kidneys and bowels, expels poisons, helps digestion, builds up the strength. Only 50 cents. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, Druggist. Guaranteed. †

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In The Summer

Of life a woman may find herself fading and failing. She doesn't understand it. She goes to doctors, who treat her for this or for that, but she gets no better. She grows frail and pale. She can just "drag about the house," but has no pleasure in life.



Many such women have taken advantage of Dr. Pierce's offer of *free consultation by letter*, and have been restored by Dr. Pierce's treatment to perfect health. There is no more wonderful medicine for women than Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. Its action upon the womanly organs is at once apparent in the decrease of pain and the increase of strength. It cures female weakness and such diseases as take away the strength and beauty of women.

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The action of the "Favorite Prescription" is assisted by the use of "Pleasant Pellets" when the bowels are irregular.

THE ENGAGEMENT RING.

Peculiar Ways In Which It Causes a Young Woman to Act.

Did you ever have a chance to observe, unobserved, a young woman's conduct toward her newly acquired engagement ring?

It feels so strange upon her hand that she cannot refrain from examining it a dozen times an hour, always, however, on the sly. On the first night she sits up an hour later than usual to admire it boldly in the seclusion of her own apartment. A frequent kiss is administered to the shining band and its glittering gem, and during the night she dreams that it has fallen into a stream and awakes clutching the finger to assure herself that the precious pledge is still secure.

Then, on the following day, she wears it only in secret, taking care to transfer it to her pocket at table and when in the company of intimates, but place her among strangers or among casual acquaintances who cannot be inquisitive, and how bravely will she flaunt the token before their eyes, as one who should say:

"I may not be the loveliest creature in the world, but you will observe that I have landed my fish."

Gradually it assumes its place in her daily life, and her blushes grow less violent with each succeeding explanation of its significance and each extravagant description of its donor's attributes. But before it finally becomes a part of herself, as it were, she must, of course, leave it a dozen times at least upon the washstand and suffer in consequence a dozen violent attacks of palpitation of the heart until it is recovered.—London Answers.

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT

☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

The quotations are always given as accurately as possible, but the STAR will not be responsible for any variations from the actual market price of the articles quoted

BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute	8¼	@	8
Standard		@	7¾
Burlaps	6	@	6¾
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℘ ℔	12	@	15
Sides ℘ ℔	9	@	10
Shoulders ℘ ℔	10	@	11
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℘ ℔	8⅝	@	9
Shoulders ℘ ℔	8⅝	@	9
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each	1 35	@	1 40
Second-hand machine		@	1 40
New New York, each		@	1 45
New City, each		@	1 45
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℘ M	7 00	@	7 50
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℘ ℔	20	@	25
Northern	25	@	35
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks	56	@	58
Virginia Meal	56	@	58
COTTON TIES—℘ bundle		@	1 25
CANDLES—℘ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	8	@	11
COFFEE—℘ ℔—			
Laguyra	11	@	12¼
Rio	9	@	11
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℘ yard		@	5¼
Yarns, ℘ bunch of 5 ℔s		@	70
FISH—			
Mackerel, No. 1, ℘ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℘ half-bbl.	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℘ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℘ half-bbl.	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℘ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℘ barrel	4 00	@	4 25
Mullets, ℘ pork barrel	7 50	@	8 00
N. C. Roe Herring, ℘ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ℘ ℔	5	@	10
" Extra	4 25	@	4 50
FLOUR—℘ ℔—			
Low grade	3 25	@	3 50
Choice		@	3 75
Straight	3 85	@	4 25
First Patent	4 75	@	5 00
GLUE—℘ ℔	9	@	10
GRAIN—℘ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bgs—White	60	@	63
Mixed Corn	60	@	61
Car-load, in bgs—White	58	@	59
Oats, from store	40	@	45
Oats, Rust Proof	42½	@	45
Cow Peas	90	@	1 10
HIDES—℘ ℔—			
Green salted	5½	@	6
Dry flint	10	@	11
Dry salt	9	@	10
HAY ℘ 100 ℔s			
No 1 Timothy	95	@	1 00
Rice Straw	40	@	50
Eastern	90	@	95
Western	90	@	95
North River		@	90
HOOP IRON, ℘ ℔	3	@	3¼
CHEESE—℘ ℔—			
Northern Factory	13	@	15
Dairy Cream	12½	@	14
Half cream	10	@	12¼
LARD, ℘ ℔—			
Northern	7½	@	10
North Carolina	10	@	11
LIME, ℘ barrel	1 15	@	1 20
LUMBER (city sawed) ℘ M ft—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES ℘ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hogshead		@	25
Barbadoes, in barrels		@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	28	@	30
Porto Rico, in barrels	28	@	32
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12	@	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14	@	15
Syrup, in barrels	15	@	25
NAILS, ℘ keg, Cut, 60d basis		@	2 45
PORK, ℘ barrel—			
City Mess		@	18 00
Rump		@	17 00
Prime		@	16 50
ROPE, ℘ ℔	11	@	22
SALT, ℘ sack, Alum		@	1 25
Liverpool	95	@	1 10
American	95	@	1 05
On 125 ℘ Sacks	65	@	70
SUGAR, ℘ ℔—Standard Gran'd	5¼	@	5⅝
Standard A	5¼	@	5½
White Extra C	5	@	5¼
Extra C, Golden	4⅝	@	5
C Yellow	4½	@	4⅝
SOAP, ℘ ℔—Northern	3¼	@	4
STAVES, ℘ M—W. O. barrel	6 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℘ M feet—Shipping	8 00	@	9 00
Common mill	4 00	@	5 00
Fair mill	6 50	@	7 50
Prime mill	7 50	@	8 50
Extra mill	8 50	@	9 50
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed			
℘ M 6x24 heart	4 25	@	5 00
" Sap	3 00	@	3 25
5x20 Heart	2 25	@	2 50
" Sap	1 60	@	1 75
WHISKEY, ℘ gallon Northern	1 00	@	2 10

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

[Quoted officially at the closing of the Produce Exchange.]

STAR OFFICE, April 18

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Market steady at $1.05 per barrel for strained and $1.10 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.20 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market steady at $1.10 per barrel for hard, $2.10 for dip and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine steady at 47½@47c; rosin nothing doing; tar firm at $1.25; crude turpentine steady at $1 85 @3 15.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	6
Rosin	46
Tar	224
Crude turpentine	34

Receipts same day last year—13 casks spirits turpentine, 190 bbls rosin, 178 bbls tar, 6 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 7⅞c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	5 7 16	cts ℘ ℔
Good ordinary	6 13 16	" "
Low middling	7 7 16	" "
Middling	7⅞	" "
Good middling	8 3 16	" "

Same day last year middling quiet at 9½c.

Receipts—89 bales; same day last year, 56.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 70c; extra prime, 75c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 80c. Virginia—Prime, 50c; extra prime, 55c; fancy, 60c; Spanish, 80c.

CORN—Firm; 60 to 62c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—steady; hams 12 to 13c per pound; shoulders, 8 to 10c; sides, 8 to 10c.

EGGS—Steady at 12½ to 13c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 25 to 30c; springs, 15@25c.

TURKEYS—Live, dull at 9 to 10c; dressed, 12 to 14c.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25c.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 70c.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, April 18.—Money on call firm at 3@5 per cent., last loan 3, and ruling rate 4½ percent Prime mercantile paper 3@4½ per cent. Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at 487⅞ for demand and 484¾ for sixty days. Posted rates 485½ and 489. Commercial bills 484@484½. Silver certificates 60, nominal. Bar silver 59⅜. Mexican dollars 48. Government bonds strong. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds irregular. U.S. refunding 2's reg'd, 106⅜; U. S. refund'g 2's, coupon, 106⅜; U. S. 2's, reg'd, —; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 110⅞; do. coupon, 111½; U. S. 4's, new reg'd, 138¼; do. coupon, 139¼; U. S. 4's, old reg'd, 113⅜; do. coupon, 113⅜; U. S. 5's, reg'd, 110¾; do. coupon, 111¼; Southern R'y 5's 117. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio, 93; Chesapeake & Ohio 46⅜; Manhattan L 127¼; N. Y. Central 152½; Reading 36⅜; do. 1st pref'd 75⅝; St. Paul, 155⅜; do. pref'd, 191; Southern Railway 29¾; do. pref'd 82⅞; American Tobacco, 128⅜; do. pref'd 146; People's Gas 114¼; Sugar 147⅜; do. pref'd 122; T.C. & Iron 67½; U. S. Leather 13⅜; do. preferred 77⅜; Western Union 93⅜; U. S. Steel 46⅜; U. S. Steel, pref'd 94⅝; Consolidated Gas 233; Standard Oil 802@805.

BALTIMORE, April 17.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 27@27½; do. preferred 47½@47¼. Bonds—4's 81¼@81⅝.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, April 18.—Rosin quiet. Spirits turpentine dull.

SAVANNAH, April 18.—Spirits turpentine firm at 31½c; receipts 1,208 casks; sales 1,158 casks; exports 1,629 casks. Rosin firm; receipts 2,502 barrels; sales 1,237 barrels; exports 11,198 barrels. Prices unchanged.

CHARLESTON, April 18.—Spirits turpentine steady at 31c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales 200 barrels. Quoted: B, C, D, $1 00; E, $1 15; F, $1 25; G, $1 30; H, $1 45; I, $1 55; K, $1 80; M, $1 95; N, $2 00; W G $2 15; W W, $2 40.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, April 18.—It was an unusually trying day for shorts in the cotton market and at times considerable excitement prevailed on scrambles to reach safer ground by room bears and on flurries of buying for outside account, the latter mostly foreign. On bullish Liverpool advices and very bad weather reports, the market opened steady, with prices three to five points and soon further advanced on active general buying and additional gains abroad. Official reports that heavy frosts had extended over Northern Texas unnerved shorts and prompted buying of a scalping nature. By midday the advance had reached a matter of five to seven points, with the market very firm. Rumors that spot cotton was advancing rapidly on better demands from the mills, claims that cotton goods markets were stiffening, and prospects for continued cold weather and rains in the South to night, all helped to strengthen local bull sentiment. On the rise May reached 8 16 and July 8.12 The early afternoon witnessed the best prices of the session, a hurried turn for cover and Wall street buying of July. Thereafter the market was quiet and sagged, under profit-taking and selling in anticipation of a sharp reaction to-morrow in Liverpool. Estimates for fairly large receipts to-morrow at New Orleans and Houston helped to ease off the late market. Throughout the session rumors of July manipulation were in circulation and that option led in all upward movements. Profit taking sent prices down to about last night's closing in the last half hour and the market closed quiet, prices net two points higher to two points lower.

NEW YORK, April 18.—Cotton quiet; middling uplands 8⅛c.

Cotton futures closed quiet: April 8.09, May 8.10, June 8 05, July 8 08, August 7.73, September 7.50, October 7.41, November 7.34, December 7.32, January 7.34.

Spot cotton closed quiet and 1 16c higher; middling uplands 8⅛c; middling gulf 8⅝c; sales 102 bales.

Net receipts 500 bales; gross receipts 934 bales; stock 140,187 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 7,639 bales; exports to Great Britain 666 bales; exports to the Continent 683 bales; stock 672,774 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 63,960 bales; exports to Great Britain 40,002 bales; exports to France 12,821 bales; exports to the Continent 51,291 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 6,621,979 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,570,618 bales; exports to France 638,279 bales; exports to the Continent 2,058 557 bales.

April 18.—Galveston, steady at 8⅛c, net receipts 2,223 bales; Norfolk, steady at 8⅛c, net receipts 1,602 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 8 5 16c, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 8 5-16c, net receipts 453 bales; Wilmington, steady at 7⅞c, net receipts 89 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 8⅝c, net receipts 32 bales; Savannah, steady at 8 1 16, net receipts 1,616 bales; New Orleans, firm at 8 3 16c, net receipts 1,005 bales; Mobile, quiet at 8c, net receipts 31 bales; Memphis, steady at 8⅛c, net receipts 70 bales; Augusta, steady at 8⅛c, net receipts 170 bales; Charleston, firm at 8c, net receipts 88 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, April 18.—Flour was sustained by further strength in wheat and had a fairly active trade. Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red 79⅛c; options had a firm opening and were generally strong all day on unfavorable crop news and weather reports, but mostly on good foreign buying and export rumors. Closed firm at ⅛@¼c net advance: May closed 77⅜c; July closed 77c; September closed 76⅛c. Corn—Spot easy; No. 2 50c; options firm with wheat and advanced later on wet weather West, continued small receipts and a good support from Chicago bulls. Later it eased off sharply under realizing. Closed easy at ⅛@⅜c net decline: May closed 49⅛c July 48⅛c; September 48⅛c. Oats—Spot quiet; No. 2 30⅜c; options were quiet and about steady. Lard was quoted easier; Western steam $8 55; refined easy; continent $8 70; South American $9 50; compound 6⅜. Pork steady. Eggs steady; State and Pennsylvania at mark 14@14½c; Southern 13@13⅜c. Butter steady; fresh creamery 16@21c; State dairy fresh 15@20c. Rice quiet. Cheese steady; fancy large white 10⅞ @11c; do. small white 11⅜@12. Petroleum dull. Potatoes quiet; Jerseys $1 25@1 37½; New York $1 25@1 75; Havana $3 00@5 00; Jersey sweets $1 50@2 50. Cabbage steady; State $12 00@16 00 per ton. Peanuts steady; fancy hand-picked 4⅜@5c; other domestic 4½@4⅜c. Freights to Liverpool—Cotton by steam 14c. Tallow dull; city 5c; country 5@5⅛c. Cotton seedoil was less active and not quite as firm as it has been, owing chiefly to the decline in lard products. There was no change, however, in the price list. Quoted: Prime crude, in barrels, 34½c; prime summer yellow 36@36½c; summer yellow 35c; prime white 40c; prime winter yellow 39c. prime meal $25 00. Coffee—Spot Rio quoted weak; No. 7 invoice 6⅝c; mild dull; Cordova 8¼@12¼. Sugar—raw strong, fair refining 3⅝c; centrifugal, 96 test 4 3 16c; refined strong; No. 6 $4 90; No. 7 $4 80.

CHICAGO, April 18.—To-day's grain trade was largely local and price fluctuations were not wide. Besides export support wheat derived some help from the weather, but this latter factor was a bearish item when applied to corn and oats. May wheat closed ⅛@⅛c higher, May corn ⅛@⅛c lower, and May oats ⅛c down. Provisions closed unchanged to five cents depressed.

CHICAGO, April 18.—Cash quotations: Flour steady. Wheat—No. 3 spring 70 @70⅛c; No. 2 red 71@73. Corn—No. 2 43⅜; No. 2 yellow 43⅜. Oats—No. 2 27⅛ @27½; No. 2 white 29⅛@30c; No. 3 white 28⅛@29⅛c. Pork, per barrel, $14 10@14 15. Lard, per 100 lbs, $8 12½@8 15. Short rib sides, loose $8 00@8 20. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $6 87½@7 12½. Short clear sides, boxed $8 30@8 35. Whiskey—Distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 27

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No 2 May 71@71⅛, 71⅛, 70¾, 71@72⅛c; July 71⅛@71⅝, 71¾, 71⅛, 71⅝c. Corn—No. 2 April 43⅝c; May 44⅝@44⅛, 44⅛, 43⅜, 43⅞@44c; July 43⅞@44⅛, 44@44⅛, 43⅛, 43⅝c. Oats—No. 2 May 25⅛@25⅛, 25⅛, 25⅜, 25⅛@25⅛c; July 25⅛, 25⅛, 25, 25. Pork, per bbl—May $14 15, 14 15, 14 07½, 14 10; July $14 22½, 14 35, 14 22½, 14 27½. Lard, per 100 lbs—May $8 07½, 8 07½, 8 00, 8 05; July $7 95, 8 00, 7 95, 7 97½; September $7 95, 8 00, 7 95, 7 97½. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—May $8 12½, 8 15, 8 10, 8 10; July $7 92½, 7 92½, 7 87½, 7 97½; September $7 85, 7 87½, 7 82½, 7 85.

FOREIGN MARKET

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, April 18, 4 P. M.—Cotton—Spot, increased demand, prices 1 16d higher; American middling fair 5⅝d; good middling 4 27-32d; middling 4 21-32d; low middling 4 15 32d; good ordinary 4 7 32d; ordinary 3 31 32d. The sales of the day were 10,000 bales, of which 500 bales were for speculation and export and included 9 600 bales American. Receipts 6,000 bales, including 3,200 bales American.

Futures opened quiet and closed firm; American middling (l. m. c.) April 4 33-64d seller; April and May 4 32 64d@4 32 64d buyer; May and June 4 32 64@4 33-64d buyer; June and July 4 32 64@4 33 64d buyer; July and August 4 32 64@4 33 64d seller; August and September 4 27-64d seller; September 4 27 64d seller; October (g. o. c) 4 12 64d buyer; October and November 4 8 64d buyer; November and December 4 6-64d buyer.

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Mark Gray, 246 tons, Sawyer, George Harriss, Son & Co.
Mecosta, 242 tons, Strout, George Harriss, Son & Co.
Montana, 337 tons, Booye, George Harriss, Son & Co.
C C Lane, 306 tons, Kelley, George Harriss, Son & Co.
Geo E Dudley, 387 tons, Chase, New York, J T Riley & Co.
Henry R T lton, 467 tons, Cobb, George Harriss, Son & Co.

BARQUES.

Wayfarer, (Nor) 610 tons, Carlsen, Heide & Co.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—48 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine.

W. C. & A. Railroad—37 bales cotton, 34 barrels tar, 28 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—4 casks spirits turpentine, 32 barrels rosin, 24 barrels tar.

C. C. Railroad—4 bales cotton, 16 barrels rosin, 76 barrels tar, 6 casks crude turpentine.

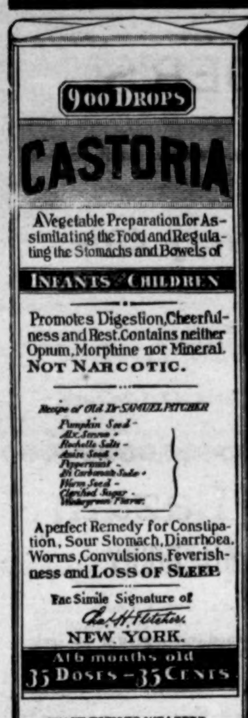
Schr Argyle—44 barrels tar.

C. Larkins' flat—47 barrels tar.

Total—Cotton, 89 bales; spirits turpentine, 6 casks; rosin, 46 barrels; tar, 224 barrels; crude turpentine, 3 barrels.

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But They Come Very Near Turning It Into a Comedy.

"One of the most laughable scenes I ever witnessed during the representation of one of Shakespeare's tragedies," said a well known theatrical manager to the writer the other day, "happened to the late Tom Keene when he was performing in a northern New York town. The company was playing 'Julius Cæsar,' and at the last moment it was found that the property man had failed to send up the regular throne chair used in the senate scene, and an old rustic chair was hastily procured from the left of the theater and, after being covered with draping, was pressed into service. In the midst of the scene a large wasps' nest was discovered attached to the chair, and its inhabitants, becoming indignant at the disturbance they had suffered, began to swarm about the stage, seeking revenge upon the Romans in their low necked and short sleeved dresses. The wasps seemed to be particularly offended with Cæsar, and it is doubtful if Cæsar's death scene was ever acted with more feeling, for at the moment he was being pierced by the conspirators' daggers the wasps were most industrious in their work.

"In the tent scene where Cæsar appears to Brutus one might almost have doubted its being the real Cæsar. It was the same in form and dress, but the face was no longer the same. In the last act Brutus had one eye closed, Antony a swollen lip, Cassius an enlarged chin, Lucius an inequality in the size of his hands and Octavius Cæsar a nose that would have done service as the famous nasal organ of Bardolf in 'Henry IV.'

"The tragedy came very near becoming a roaring comedy when Mr. Keene, as Cassius, said, 'Antony, the posture of your blows is yet unknown but for your words; they rob the Hybla bees and leave them honeyless,' and the actor who was doing Antony replied, 'Not stingless too.'"—Washington Star.

Uses of Olive Oil.

Olive oil should be found in every nursery and on every medicine shelf. In time of croup it can be given frequently and will not disturb the digestion, as do many medicines. It is often given in place of cod liver oil and is as effective in building up the system and far less disagreeable. It is recommended by many specialists both as a food and a tonic. A certain young chemist never has a cold or requires any medicine except a spoonful of olive oil every night and morning, which he takes regularly. He seldom wears an overcoat.—New York Tribune.

Peculiar Musical Instrument.

A peculiar musical instrument is used by the Moros. It consists of a hoop of bamboo, upon which are hung by strings a number of thin pieces of mother of pearl. When struck with a small reed, these give forth a sweet, tinkling sound, a combination of which sounds is developed into a weird, monotonous fantasy, very pleasant to the ear—for a short time.

Their Business.

Gas Man—Hello, Tom! What are you doing these days?

Pork Packer—I'm in the meat business. What are you doing?

Gas Man—I go you one degree better. I'm in the meter business.—Exchange.

THE HOUSEWIFE'S PART.

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The tale of the housewife's part!

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Brewing and stewing,
Basting and tasting,
Lifting and sifting,
Stoning and boning,
Toasting and roasting,
Kneading and seeding,
Straining and draining,
Poking and soaking,
Choosing and using,
Reasoning and seasoning,
Paring and sharing—
This is the housewife's part.

Filling and spilling,
Pounding and sounding,
Creaming and steaming,
Skimming and trimming,
Mopping and chopping,
Coring and pouring,
Shelling and smelling,
Grinding and minding,
Firing and tiring,
Carving and serving—
This is the housewife's part.

Oiling and boiling and broiling,
Buying and trying and frying,
Burning and turning and churning,
Pricing and icing and slicing,
Hashing and mashing and splashing,
Scanning and planning and canning,
Greasing and squeezing and freezing—
This is the housewife's part.

Aching and baking and making and shaking,
Beating and heating and seating and treating,
Oh, men, and, oh, brothers, and all of you others,
Do you envy the housewife's part?
—Susie M. Best in New Orleans Times-Democrat.

The Reformation of Henley

An Episode of Army Life In the Philippines.

By Will Levington Comfort.

Lieutenant Henley was the son of a rich man. The lieutenant went out to Manila in a volunteer cavalry regiment.

When the volunteer horse reached Manila, it happened that cavalry was needed. The regiment was given a hundred carbine rations, several pounds of quinine and a snack of bacon, hard tack and coffee. Then it was told to get busy seeking "googies" to devour. It was told to tree all the rebels it encountered and to drive the rest on the running jump into the China sea. It was old shoes for the colonel. He whispered gleefully to his majors:

"Just my brand of spitting tobacco. I'll take the youngsters out in some deserted place and teach them which is the front end of a saddle."

A moment or two before the start was made the colonel perceived Lieutenant Henley approaching. The young man was mounted upon a fancy gray gelding, but his saddle was at least four inches too far back. The colonel snapped his teeth together with a force which would have broken stones and greeted his subordinate this way:

"Young man, do you know you sit on that horse like a shoemaker? Get off and let one of your men fix your saddle. At attention, sir, when you talk to me. Now, what do you want?"

"I just want to suggest," said Henley at last, "that I be allowed to stay in Manila for a few days. There are some things I want to get. I would like to see Manila too. Besides, father"—

"Henley, if I hear another word from you for ten days which doesn't concern duty, and if you are not in your proper place in the line before 20 seconds have passed, I'll give you a chance to see Manila through barred windows. As to your father, he hasn't got anything more to do with you now than a rabbit."

The regiment was broken in by a process as pitiless as the combined efforts of the torrid sun and regular army discipline could make it. It was only a skeleton outfit after six weeks, but this skeleton was formed of the best bone produced in the best bone producing country on earth. The backbone of the frame was the colonel. One of the little finger nails was Lieutenant Henley. Concerning this young man the colonel wrote the following to father a short time after the regiment had taken the field:

"When you set about to spoil that boy of yours, you builded better than you knew. He is the most thoroughly spoiled young one I ever saw. He must be born again. I am trying to do this, but it is difficult. I may have to hurt him, but I'll try not to kill him for your sake."

The colonel wrote other things to father.

The regiment was riding through a bad country in Tayabas province, lower Luzon. Henley's troop was in the rear end of the column. Up to this time the company had not been engaged in a fight. A few bullets had scudded through one of the night camps, but no one had been hurt except through sickness, the saddle or the sun. This day there was every promise of a fight. The colonel had been told this by the trail. His brain was deep in the game, and his soldier heart was full of savage joy at the prospect of action.

Suddenly Henley and his troopers heard a scream from behind. The column was halted. The colonel rode back rapidly. He found Henley and his troop white faced and staring eyed, a group of powerless things, rendered so at sight of a horrid thing on the trail.

"Who is it?" demanded the colonel. His voice sounded ugly in the silence. The troop horses were sniffing the air nervously.

"Private Connely, sir," drawled somebody's voice. "He dropped behind the column to tighten his cinch, sir."

It was the first thing of the kind these men had seen—a hacked body, blood of a white man upon the trail. He had been riding with them not a moment before. Now his horse, carbine, belt, life—all were gone. And bolos are not clean tools, and Connely had seen what was upon him before he had fallen. The horror of it was still in his eyes. His fellow troopers were sick, afraid. They were enduring the agony of helplessness. They would march in close formation for the rest of the day. They would dream that night, and the sentries would fire their guns at dark shadows, which their brains placed in thin air.

"Why didn't you halt, lieutenant, until Connely had tightened his cinch?" asked the colonel in a low voice.

"I didn't know it was necessary, sir."

"Do you think you are in the state of Maine, lieutenant?" the low, remorseless voice of the commander went on. "Do you know that you should either have forbidden him to halt or else staid by him until he was in the saddle again? Do you know that you are in a measure responsible for that"—

The voice of Lieutenant Henley was awful with despair. If ever a man looked a coward, it was Lieutenant Henley that moment. If a man with sins unforgiven stared into the face of death, his features could not have reflected terror more than did the bloodless, haggard face of Lieutenant Henley. The young officer became afflicted with an insupportable nausea. It might have been the sign on the trail. The colonel rode back to the head of his command, and he wondered if there was blood in the boy, as the father had said, and if he could be born again.

The enemy was not encountered that day, and at night the troopers rode into a big town already garrisoned. There were murmurings in Henley's troop when it was dark. The men spoke to each other about the affair, as soldiers will. The word "coward" might have been heard. It was asserted in whispers that the lieutenant was responsible for the death of Connely. Early in the evening, while Henley was moving through the ranks of his own troop, somebody struck him from behind. Others followed the example. No faces were seen. An hour later Lieutenant Henley, bruised and dirt stained, had made connections by wire with the cable office in Manila, and the following in cipher was destined to reach father the next day:

"Can't stand this. Work my immediate resignation. Cable reply."

"No, no, colonel, not that."

The colonel was ordered to make this town temporary regimental headquarters. There was a big supply of forage for the horses. The infantry which had garrisoned the town was moved out at once.

On the third day a telegram came for Lieutenant Henley, and in less than an hour afterward all messages stopped suddenly. The "niggers" had cut the wire somewhere along the line.

Once the voice of a torn soul gave utterance. "Let the day perish wherein I was born and the night which said, 'There is a man child conceived.'" The son of his father gazed at the paper which had been handed him for many minutes. In truth young Henley had gone down deep into the dark. Had the father known he could not have had the heart to pile upon a universe of misery one added burden. The young cavalry officer had been laughed at, insulted, beaten with many blows. From a home where desire knew not the meaning of denial he had been cast upon a land where men live like tramps and die like beasts, violently, with opened veins, in the dirt. He had been held responsible for one of these deaths. He had been called a coward! And now this cablegram was before him:

"Reverses. Resignation not accepted. Remain for stated period. Spare expense of cable."

Yes, he had gazed upon the paper for many minutes. The fatal atmosphere of dollars had lifted indeed. He who had sat in a high place and commanded a world had been told to spare the expense of cablegrams. Even his father had turned his face from him. He raised his eyes and saw only heat and hatred in the heavens, for the sun had faded the blue. The soldiers in the plaza saw in him only an object to hate. The officers passed by and saw him not at all. Of all the world's offerings death was alone to be desired, but not with knives, like that other.

At this moment the colonel, standing not a rod away, gave this command to his orderly: "Tell Captain Sanders, with my compliments, to get his troop in readiness to start on the north trail to repair the main wire, which has just been cut by the rebels. Tell the captain to report to me before starting."

"One moment, colonel. May I not take my troop out and fix that wire? I'll do it quickly, sir."

Lieutenant Henley was tall. He had the look and the talk of a man. At this moment he would not remind one of the prodigal's elder brother. The colonel had to think a moment. He was so flustered.

"The ugliest niggers on the island are on that north trail, lieutenant."

"I'll fix the wire quickly, sir."

"By the time your troop is saddled, lieutenant, there will be two days' rations waiting for you here in the plaza."

It was then 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Exactly 12 hours later the ticker in the telegraph office at headquarters awoke the operator. Hours before dawn the colonel, heading a detachment, started out on the north trail. They saw many things that morning, and the least of these things was neither excitement nor dead men.

Sixteen miles north of the town the colonel and his men encountered an American sentry. More or less dead Filipinos had been encountered before that.

"Any dead with you?" asked the colonel. His lower jaw dropped until he had heard the answer.

"We lost Black and Peters, sir, and there are three wounded in that shack yonder. The lieutenant was hit twice, sir, but he's all right, and we got a whole bunch of niggers."

"I see you did," remarked the colonel. Then he hunted out Henley, whom he found propped up on a couple of blanket rolls.

"Good morning, colonel. The wires working all right?"

"Are you hit hard?" gasped the colonel.

"Couple of little punctures that don't amount to anything. Got a whole raft of niggers. Say, did you know father was busted?"

Not long after that the colonel took the top sergeant off alone and asked him to tell the story. This is it, shortened:

"The lieutenant rode us fast along the wire. The niggers were all about, and we had to follow. The lieutenant was hit in the shoulder before dark yesterday, but he didn't seem to mind. We had to go slow after dark to keep tab on the wire. It was after midnight when we got a volley from a nigger camp in front. It was right here, colonel, where the wire was cut, we got it. The moon was up, and we charged into them, with the lieutenant ten yards in the lead. Here we lost Black and Peters, and the lieutenant was hit again. He would have gone after them, but he got groggy from his wounds. We got a whole slew of niggers, sir."

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Here is a paragraph from a letter which the colonel wrote to father afterward:

"He is born again, a devil this time, who swalloweth the ground with fierceness and rage and smelleth the battle afar off. He turned loose when he thought you were broke and developed in an afternoon. Incidentally he made good citizens out of over a score of niggers and got scratched up a little. I'll watch out for him and turn over to you one of these days something that smells like a man. Yes, there is blood in the boy."—St. Louis Republic.

News and Notes.

Increasing population will require more meat. Years ago, when sheep were kept almost exclusively for wool and the aged slaughtered for market in poor condition, tough and tasteless, "sheep meat" was not popular. Those days are past; mutton is appreciated, and lamb is a delicacy that brings high prices. Mutton eating is rapidly increasing.

Liquid air, by the Tripler process, is to be used for refrigerating purposes in the dairy business.

According to a seedsman pumpkins and squashes grow to highest perfection in Kansas and Nebraska, and it is from these states that most of the seed in the market comes.

The new occupation of "forester" is one which is said to promise well for young men, the pay being good and the field as yet comparatively unsupplied. The forester, however, must be able not only to estimate lumber, but to map out a plan for cutting and thinning timber with reference to the preservation and future welfare of the forest, as well as the planting of young trees, etc.

Latest reports are of injury to the expected large Argentina wheat crop and shortage of Russian crops.

The Prophets.

Teddy—Say, Ned, what do you have that Bible over your desk for?

Ned—Oh, principally for reference.

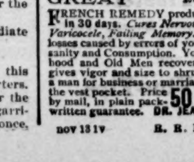
Teddy—Why, does it say anything about this particular business?

Ned—Certainly; not only gives general rules, but tells all about the profits.—New York Tribune.

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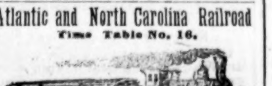
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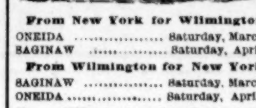
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DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND.

DAILY 9.05 A. M. No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.58 A. M., Warsaw 11.15 A. M., Goldsboro 12.21 P. M., Wilson 1.18 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.48 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M., Weldon 4.32 P. M., Petersburg 6.28 P. M., Richmond 7.22 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.30 P. M. Baltimore 1.03 A. M., Philadelphia 3.50 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY 7.00 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.34 P. M., Warsaw 8.43 P. M., Goldsboro 9.27 P. M., Wilson 10.30 P. M., †Tarboro 6.46 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.28 P. M., Weldon 1.39 A. M., †Norfolk 10.25 A. M., Petersburg 3.20 A. M., Richmond 4.00 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.30 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M., New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.18 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.58 P. M., Chadbourn 5.30 P. M., Marion 6.40 P. M., Florence 7.25 P. M., Sumter 9 12 P. M., Columbia 10.35 P. M., Denmark 5.55 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M., Charleston 10.55 P. M., Savannah 2.45 A. M., Jacksonville 8 30 A. M., St. Augustine 11.10 A. M., Tampa 6.45 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M. No. 53—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.05 P.M., leaves Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.43 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 6.00 P. M. No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston 1.03 P. M., New York 9.25 P. M., Philadelphia 12.20 A. M., Baltimore 2.55 A. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 9.48 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M., Rocky Mount 12.52 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.30 P. M., Warsaw 4.22 P. M., Magnolia 4.35 P. M.

DAILY 9.25 A. M. No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 8.55 A. M., Philadelphia 11.33 A. M., Baltimore 1.46 P. M., Washington 3.12 P. M., Richmond 6.57 P. M., Petersburg 7 45 P. M., †Norfolk 2.25 P. M., Weldon 9.10 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.15 A. M., Leave Wilson 5.57 A. M., Goldsboro 6.45 A. M., Warsaw 7.38 A. M., Magnolia 7.51 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.26 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.25 P. M. No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 9.50 A. M., Sanford 2.30 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.30 A. M., Charleston 6.43 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.29 P. M., Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.05 P. M., Florence 9.55 A. M., Marion 10.35 A. M., Chadbourn 11.41 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.12 P. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 7.25 P. M. No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 3.05 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 4.20 P. M., leave Fayetteville 4.30 P. M.

Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.05 A. M., Maxton 9.05 A. M., Red Springs 9.51 A. M., Parkton 10.41 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 11.10 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.45 P. M., Hope Mills 5.00 P. M., Red Springs 5.43 P. M., Maxton 6.16 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leaves Rocky Mount 7.15 A. M., arrive Weldon 8.17 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 18 A. M., arrives Richmond 11.10 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.17 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.52 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. M., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11 00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7 50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.10 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Train on Midland N. C. Branch leaves Goldsboro, daily except Sunday, 5.00 A. M.; arriving Smithfield, N. C., 6.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 7.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 8.25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9.30 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.20 A. M., 4.03 P. M., Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.25 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.20 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 11.45 A. M., 5.25 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 12.10 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leaves Warsaw for Clinton, daily, except Sunday, 11.40 A. M. and 4.25 P. M. Returning, leaves Clinton 6.45 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.13 A. M., arrive Latta 10.31 A. M., Dillon 10.42 A. M., Rowland 10.58 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.05 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.28 P. M., Latta 6.42 P. M., Pee Dee 7.06 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Chadbourn 11.50 A. M.; arrive Conway 1.30 P. M.; returning leave Conway 3.40 P. M. arrive Chadbourn 5.20 P. M., leave Chadbourn 5.35 A. M.; arrive Elrod 8.10 A. M., returning leave Elrod 8.40 P. M., arrive Chadbourn 11.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 7.35 P. M., Manning 6.04 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.43 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.02 A. M., Manning 8.47 A. M.; arrive Sumter 10.55 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 8.40 A. M., †7.00 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 10 A. M., †8.20 P. M.; leave Georgetown 6.30 A. M.; †4.15 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.00 A. M.; †5.35 P. M.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Hartsville 9.15 P. M., Cheraw 11.30 A M., Wadesboro 12.35 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 8.00 P.M.; arrive Darlington 8.25 P. M., Bennettsville 9.22 P. M., Gibson 10.20 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.50 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M.

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Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.59 P. M., 10.40 P. M., arrive Selma 2.46 P. M., 11.18 P. M., Smithfield 3.02 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M., Fayetteville 4.26 P. M., 12 32 A. M., Rowland 6.06 P. M. returning leave Rowland 10.58 A. M., Fayetteville 12.20 P. M., 10.22 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 11.35 P. M., arrive Wilson 2.35 P. M. 12.13 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter 4.00 A. M., Creston 4.52 A. M., arrive Denmark 5.55 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.35 P. M., Creston 5.34 P. M., Sumter 6.24 P. M. Daily.

Trains leave Elliott 7.30 P. M., and arrive Lucknow 9.55 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 7.30 A. M. arrive Elliotts 2.30 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Elliott 10.35 A. M. and arrive Lucknow 12.15 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 1 50 P. M., arrive Elliotts 3.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

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FRIDAY MORNING, APRIL 19.

COTTON CROP CONDITIONS.

Cold Weather and Rain Delays Planting. Increased Acreage—Labor Scarce. Sales of Fertilizers.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, April 18.—Dun's review of April 20th will say:

"Reports from numerous branches and many correspondents of R. G. Dun & Company, in the cotton belt, indicate that cold weather and in most sections incessant rains, have delayed planting for the new cotton crop. The season is about two weeks late. The acreage will exceed last year, though cancellation of some early orders for fertilizers show that the increase in acreage will not be as large as the higher prices for cotton prevailing earlier in the year seemed to justify. Sales of fertilizers have been far in excess of last year and there will be a larger use everywhere. In the Atlantic coast States rains have been very heavy and in some places farm work was wholly suspended. There is much difficulty in obtaining labor, hands being fully employed in commercial and industrial lines at higher wages. One estimate is made that on account of higher wages for farm hands, an increase in the cost of fertilizers and of many food products the cotton crop this year will cost at least one-eighth more to raise and gather than last year. Conditions are much the same in every section of the South. In the Southwest a considerable increase in acreage is reported, and lands put down in winter grain destroyed by insects will be replanted in cotton. Georgia cotton mills are running full time, but in other sections of the South there has been considerable curtailment of production. A number of new mills are in course of erection, notably in Tennessee.

A CHICAGO TRAGEDY.

Chas. H. Sweeney, a Wealthy Planter of Kentucky, Killed His Wife and Then Committed Suicide.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, April 18 — Charles H. Sweeney, a wealthy tobacco planter of Greenville, Ky., to-day shot and killed his wife and then committed suicide in the apartments of his wife's sister, Mrs. W. L. Phillips, wife of a Chicago tobacco merchant, in the Dubuque flats, near the Granada hotel. Mrs. Sweeney left her home at Greenville a month since, coming to Chicago, it is said, for the purpose of securing a legal separation. Sweeney is said to have told his wife he should kill her if she persisted in suing for a divorce. Sweeney reached Chicago this morning and carried out his threat.

Mrs. Sweeney arrived a day or two ago and this morning during the temporary absence of her sister she went down town shopping. She returned at 9 o'clock and stepping into the apartment was met by her husband, who had been admitted by Mrs. Phillips' 6-year old son. Sweeney grasped her wrist and drew her inside. At the point of a revolver he ordered the boy to run. Crying out that a murder was being done, he fled to the Granada hotel, but before help could arrive two shots were heard and the hotel attaches found the man and woman lying on the floor. Mrs. Sweeney was dead and in a few minutes the husband expired.

Mrs. Sweeney was the daughter of Thomas P. Morgan, an extensive planter of Greenville. The Sweeneys were well known in Kentucky society, it is said.

THERE WILL BE NO STRIKE.

Agreement Reached to Reinstate Men Discharged by the American Sheet Steel Company for Joining the Union.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PITTSBURG, April 16 —There will be no strike in the plants of the American Sheet Steel Company. The trouble that broke out in the Deweese-Wood plant in McKeesport last week, and which for a time threatened to cause a general strike of all Union iron and steel workers in the country, has been settled in an amicable manner. An agreement was reached to reinstate the men claimed to have been discharged for joining the Union and to maintain existing scale and other working conditions until July 1st, 1901.

In explanation of this agreement, it was stated that the matter will remain in exactly the same position as before the trouble broke out. The organization of the local order of the Amalgamated Association among the employes of the mill will be continued, though the company will not recognize it in any way in dealing with the men. The Amalgamated Association stated that they did not wish the company to recognize their organization at present and simply ask the company to allow the men to do as they pleased and act with freedom when outside the mill.

MILLIONAIRE RICE MURDER.

The Charge Against Lawyer Patrick Submitted to the Grand Jury.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, April 18.—The clerk of records in the Surrogate's office was served with a subpœna to produce before the grand jury the second will alleged to have been executed by Wm Marsh Rice. This is the will executed on September 30th, 1900, and is known as the Patrick will.

The murder charge against Patrick was submitted to the grand jury by Assistant Attorney Garvan. Valet Jones was the first witness called. Other witnesses were examined, and the grand jury adjourned until to morrow without concluding the taking of testimony in the case.

He Fooled The Surgeons.

All doctors told Renick Hamilton, of West Jefferson, O., after suffering 18 months from Rectal Fistula, he would die unless a costly operation was performed; but he cured himself with five boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the surest Pile cure on Earth, and the best Salve in the World. 25 cents a box. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY Druggist. †

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WU TING FANG GUEST OF HONOR,

At the Dinner Given by the Southern Manufacturers' Club in Charlotte.

THE SOUTH AND THE ORIENT.

China's Importance As a Market for Southern Goods—Other Guests—Senator McLaurin Denied Report About New Party to be Launched.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., April 18.—Mr. Wu Ting Fang, Chinese minister, was the guest of honor at a dinner given by the Southern Manufacturer's Club, of which Mr. D. A. Tompkins, a member of the United States Industrial Commission, is president. He spoke on the cotton goods trade in China. Senator John L. McLaurin, of South Carolina, was also a guest of the club, and read a paper on "Our Present Conditions in the South and Our Duty for the Future."

Mr. Ellison A. Smith, president of the Pelzer Manufacturing Company, spoke on "The Question of the Hour, or, the Need of an Early and Peaceful Settlement of the Oriental Question from the Standpoint of a Southern Manufacturer." Dr. Charles W. Dabney, president of the University of Tennessee, spoke on "The Possibilities in Cotton." Among other prominent guests was Senator Pritchard, of North Carolina.

On his arrival this morning Minister Wu was met at the depot by a committee and escorted to the club rooms, where breakfast was served. After that he was given a tour of the cotton mills of the city. In the afternoon he held a reception in the parlors of the club.

Review of Trade Conditions.

In his address at the dinner to night Mr. Wu gave a general review of the trade conditions between the South and the Orient and of China's importance as a market for Southern goods. After quoting from advance sheets of the consular reports for February 1901, he said:

"Large as is the amount of American cotton goods which China imports every year, it forms only one sixth of the quantity she buys from abroad. Indeed, only the outskirts of the country have been entered. It is well known that the bulk of the American goods is shipped to Manchuria and the province of Chi Li. Now Manchuria has a population of 7,000,000 and Chi Li a population of 18,000,000. These are by no means the most thickly populated parts of the empire. There are seventeen other provinces of China proper, many of which have a denser population than either Chi Li or Manchuria. There is no reason why American cotton goods cannot find as ready market in the provinces of central and southern China as in the North.

Market for The South.

"It is manifest," he said, "that the cotton growers and manufacturers of these Southern States have not only gained a foothold in Manchuria and North China, but can with but little effort find a large market for their goods throughout the whole of Central and South China. The only thing the American manufacturer has to keep in mind is that he should make goods suitable for the Chinese markets. If properly placed before the Chinese, American cotton goods will obtain the same foothold in Southern China that they have in Northern. The present importations are not nearly sufficient to meet the requirements. It must be borne in mind that the Chinese never wear wool—not even in the depth of Winter; that generally speaking the entire population clothe themselves in cotton all the year round. Their bed clothes, umbrellas and in few instances, boat sails, are made of cotton, and the consumption is practically unlimited if they are made in accordance with native requirements. The cloth should be a coarse, unbleached cloth, 22 inches wide, retailing at about five cents gold a yard or thirty six cents gold per piece of nine yards.

Raiproof Cloth Wanted.

"There is also a market for cotton cloth, which tanned or otherwise treated, would prove rain proof. All cotton goods would have to be put in lengths to suit the peculiar requirements of the trade for which they are designed, and such details could best be learned after having made a trial shipment.

"The recent troubles in North China have undoubtedly injured the American cotton trade in that country, for the market for such has become a vast camp for armed hosts. In the midst of warlike operations, trade and commerce cannot continue to flourish. The restoration of peace and order to that distracted region will be a boon not only to the inhabitants of North China who have already suffered untold losses and hardships, but also to Southern planters, manufacturers and laboring men of all classes in this country, who depend upon the return of the normal trade conditions in the Chinese Empire for their continued prosperity, and I sincerely hope and trust that this will not be long delayed."

Senator McLaurin's Speech.

In beginning his speech, Senator McLaurin said:

"I desire to make a statement of somewhat personal nature before proceeding with the speech which I intended to deliver to-night. A certain newspaper correspondent in the city of Washington has persistently spread the report that I was coming to Charlotte to make a speech which would launch a new party in the South. The report is absurdly false. If I had any such intention, good taste would prevent me from taking advantage of an opportunity of this kind. I am content to advocate within Democratic lines the policies which I believe to be the best for the South, and when I can no longer do this, I am ready to retire to private life."

He said that in the South to day we are realizing some of the dreams of its far-seeing statesmen and business men of fifty years ago. The name the "New South" is a misnomer. He said that the time is past for the discussion as to whether this government is to be one consolidated in its structure or a loose aggregation of so called sovereign States. The civil war settled that.

"It is useless to discuss the question of whether there is to be a purely theoretical democratic government or an expanding and giant republic. The Spanish war settled that. Why not, then, accept conditions as they are and make the most of them?

"The triumphal re-election of Mr. McKinley in the last campaign is full of significance. It is a stubborn fact confronting the Democratic party to day, suggestive of reproachful remembrances and fearful menaces. What a reflection that this new Democracy did not carry a State where the issues were destroyed and judgment passed by the people upon them on their merits. Opposition to expansion, he said, is folly. Our people understand that it is not actual territory or dominion over people that we seek, but the expansion of American thought, ideas of government, commerce and civilization."

FORMED TO FIGHT TAMMANY.

New Political Party Called "The Greater New York Democracy"—Mass Meeting in Carnegie Hall.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, April 18.—A mass meeting was held in Carnegie Hall to-night to form a new political party to be called "The Greater New York Democracy." The party is formed to fight Tammany Hall. Jno. C. Sheehan, E Ellier Anderson, Peter B. Finey and Joseph P. Daly were among the many persons who signed the call for the meeting. About two thousand persons were present. Former Surrogate R. S. Ransom presided. Following are the resolutions adopted by the meeting:

"WHEREAS, Tammany Hall is responsible for existing abuses in the administration of the city affairs and its permanent overthrow is an essential pre requisite to the success of any attempt to secure better local government, therefore,

"*Resolved*, That this organization be and hereby is irrevocably pledged to oppose the election of any candidates at the coming municipal election nominated by the so-called Democratic city and county convention to be held under the auspices of Tammany Hall."

An address was issued by the meeting which scores the present city government and declares that Tammany has run up the annual expenditures of $70,000 000 to $98,000,000, and has given the city a tax rate three times as large as that of Chicago. Then the address declares, that in an effort to "befog this unpleasant fact," Tammany has increased the real estate valuation by $743,000,000. Tammany is declared to be controlled by one man "who essays to dominate courts and coerce judges, and whose guiding purpose is the execution of tribute through the violation and nullification of law."

The address declares that it is the intention to "elect a chief magistrate endowed with public spirit, courage and capacity, who will labor to administer his office in the interest of the general welfare.

MANILA COMMISSARY FRAUD.

Gen. MacArthur Says Press Reports Are Exaggerated—Some of the Guilty Are Being Tried.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—The following cable was made public at the War Department to day:

"Adjutant General, Washington — With reference to your telegram of 16th, the press report is greatly exaggerated and misleading; matters there in touched upon regarding office of subsistence department is fully investigated. Proceedings (mailed by) transport Sheridan. Regarding the theft of commissary stores, the amount of which is grossly exaggerated by press reports, immediate most drastic measures have already been applied. Three officers and a number of enlisted men are being tried by court martial, and a number of citizens by military commission.

"MACARTHUR."

No statement was made that the report of General MacArthur was satisfactory, although it has all along been the theory at the War Department that the reports from Manila were exaggerated. At the same time there is cause for regret in the department that even under the best construction that can be placed upon the dispatch, three officers and a number of enlisted men and a number of civilians have conducted themselves in such a manner as to necessitate a court martial, or trial by military commission in the case of civilians. It is stated, however, that even if these persons were being tried there might be exaggeration in regard to the offences with which they were charged.

EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE.

Convened at Winston-Salem—Gov. Aycock Welcomed Visitors—Addresses by Bishop Doane and Others.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WINSTON SALEM, N. C., April 18.—The conference for education which opened here to day is attended by the most notable gathering of educators ever assembled in the South.

Governor Aycock welcomed the visitors in behalf of the State and Bishop Rondthaler in behalf of the city. Dr. Robert Ogden, of New York, responded. Dr. J. L. M. Curry introduced Bishop Doane, who made a brief address.

At to night's session Dr. Curry spoke on "The Educational Outlook in the South," President McAlister of Drexel Institute spoke on "Education in its Social Relations," and Dr. Charles D. McIver on "The Open Field for the Philanthropist."

The New York party stopped en route at Greensboro to visit the State Normal and Industrial College. Speeches were made there by Bishop Doane, Dr. Curry, Dr. Abbott, editor of the *Outlook*, Dr. Parkhurst, George Foster Peabody, Dean Russell of the Teachers' College of New York, President McAlister, Dr. Shaw, editor of the *Review of Reviews*, Walter Page and others.

COTTON COMPRESSES.

Association Organized at Savannah—Will Control Business in Three States.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAVANNAH, GA., April 18.—The Southeastern Compress Association was organized this afternoon by the consolidation of the Alabama Compress Association and the Georgia and South Carolina Compress Association. About one hundred members of the two associations were present. They control the compressing of square bales of cotton in the three States named. Speeches were made and papers read strongly urging the adoption of the standard bale of 24 by 54 inches.

IN SOUTH AFRICA.

Gen. Kitchener Reports Capture of Boers and a Large Number of Cattle.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, April 18.—A dispatch from General Kitchener, dated Pretoria, Wednesday, April 17th, says:

"Plumer has occupied Bathfont, capturing thirteen prisoners and a number of rifles and ammunition. 'Douglas' column has occupied Dullstroom. Six Boers were killed.

"On General Kitchener's advance from Lydenburg the Boers blew up a long Tom. Thirteen prisoners were captured.

"Elliott's division has brought in a large number of cattle."

The North Baptist church of Newark, N. J., has tendered a call to Rev. Samuel C. Dean, of Atlanta, Ga., which that minister is said to have accepted.

TORNADO SWEEPS THROUGH ALABAMA

Great Damage to Property, But No Loss of Life Has Been Reported.

A FLOOD IN NEW ORLEANS.

Great Damage at Chattanooga—Wind and Rain Wrought Havoc at Many Places. Churches Demolished — Farm Houses Destroyed.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MONTGOMERY, ALA., April 18.—A heavy storm passed over Montgomery last night. The wind velocity reached thirty-four miles. While no serious damage was done in the city, from every section of surrounding territory reports come that trees were uprooted and other damages inflicted. Communication with North Alabama was suspended for many hours. No loss of life is reported.

Heavy Rainfall.

NEW ORLEANS, April 18.—A heavy wind and rain storm prevailed here during the night, 5.4 inches of rain falling. The city was partially flooded. A number of places were struck by lightning, and some trees and fences blown down. No lives were lost.

Steamboat Sunk.

BRIDGEPORT, ALA., April 18 —The river steamboat City of Charleston was sunk here by the storm at 3 o'clock this morning. No lives were lost. Nearly every factory here is closed for repairs on account of the storm. A business house was lifted from its foundation and turned around. The wind reached a velocity of fifty-five miles an hour.

Train Wrecked.

SELMA, ALA., April 18.—A terrific wind and rain storm struck Selma this morning. The electric plant and other buildings were badly damaged. Great oaks were uprooted in the heart of the city. No deaths are reported. A freight train was caught in the storm near Jackson, on the Mobile & Birmingham road, and wrecked. Engineer Eli. E. Elwood, of this place, was killed and a brakeman hurt.

TUSCALOOSA, ALA, April 18.—Last night's gale unroofed the jail, court house, several residences and a church at Carrollton. The drug store of W. B. Upchurch, and a large mill were demolished.

Terrific Gale at Chattanooga.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., April 18.—This entire section was swept by a terrific gale which raged from 2 till 3 o'clock this morning. Large damage was done to property but no lives were lost. Two churches in the suburbs were completely wrecked. The Richmond spinning mill was unroofed and the Vance cotton mill damaged. Congressman Moon's house was unroofed; Lookout Inn was partly unroofed and much damage done to railroad and telegraph lines.

CONDITIONS IN PEKIN.

Burning of the Empress Dowager's Winter Palace—A Serious Incident—Intense Feeling Among Chinese

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

WASHINGTON, April 18.—The Secretary of State received a cable message this morning from Mr. Squires, United States charge at Pekin, dated Pekin, April 18th, saying that the "Winter Palace," occupied by Von Waldersee, was accidentally destroyed by fire, and Gen. Schwartzkopf, chief of staff, was fatally burned."

This incident may prove more serious than it appears on the surface. It is known from diplomatic communications received in Washington that intense feeling has been aroused among the Chinese over the occupation of the Empress Dowager's palace by Count Von Waldersee and his military staff. This was graphically set forth in a letter recently received here from one of the foremost officials at Pekin. He described in detail the manner in which the palace had been turned over to military uses, and commented upon the indignity which it involved to the Chinese people and to the imperial family. Moreover, it is known that this military occupation of the imperial palaces was a moving cause for the rejection of all overtures for the return of the imperial family to Pekin.

Now that the palace is entirely destroyed it may have a bearing on the return of the imperial family. While there is no longer the objection that the palace is occupied by the foreign commander, yet a new objection is created by the removal of the palace itself, for under Chinese usage the imperial family must occupy those exclusive quarters reserved for them within the prohibited precincts.

SAVANNAH'S UNION DEPOT.

The Contract for Construction Made—To Cost $165,000.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAVANNAH, GA., April 18 —The contract for the construction of the union depot was let this afternoon to James H. McKenzie & Co., of Augusta, Ga., for a sum approximating $165,000. The material to be used is marble, granite and brick. The approaches will cost over $100,000 extra. The depot will be used by the Southern Railway, the Seaboard Air Line and the Plant system. It is to be completed by next January.

ANOTHER RAID

Upon Alleged Disorderly Houses in New York City.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, April 18.—The committee of fifteen made another move to night in its campaign against the alleged disorderly places of this city by raiding a large number of alleged disorderly resorts. The biggest catch, perhaps, was Alderman Frederick F. Fleck, whose place, the Manhattan Music Hall, on the Bowery, was raided. The charge against the alderman was maintaining a disorderly house.

Kinston, Ja., was in holiday attire yesterday, owing to the arrival of the United States North Atlantic squadron, commanded by Rear Admiral Farquhar. The warships were saluted and returned the salutes.

The monitor Amphitrite concluded her three months tour of target practice at Port Royal yesterday.

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FOUR TRAINMEN KILLED.

Terrible Accident to a Passenger Train Near Boulder, Col.—Locomotives Swept Away by An Avalanche

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BOULDER, COL., April 18.—A terrible accident occurred to-day on the Colorado and Northwestern road, near this city. Two big engines attached to a passenger train, coming from Ward to Boulder, were struck by a huge snow slide and hurled into the chasm below. Engineers Hannon and Fitzgerald, Fireman Miller and Conductor Blair were killed. The second fireman has not been accounted for, and it is believed he is also dead. The bodies have not been recovered.

The passenger train left Ward for Boulder drawn by two engines. When the train reached Boomerville the engines were uncoupled and started up the hill to buckle the snow, which was deep on the tracks. A sharp curve occurred near the apex of the mountain, and just as the engines started to round the curve a vast avalanche of snow and earth was loosened from above. It came down with terrific force, and gained momentum every second. It is said that the train, which was heavily loaded with passengers, was not touched by the slide.

WARM WIRELETS.

The itinerary of President McKinley's tour to the Pacific coast is now complete and no further appeals for changes in route or stops will be considered.

News has been received at the Navy Department of the death of Commander Charles O. Allibone, commanding the gunboat Wilmington, at Cavite, from heart failure.

It is officially stated in Wall street that the proposed control of the Burlington by the Great Northern and Northern Pacific interests would be effected by an issue of $220,000,000 in bonds.

The three days' pool tournament between Alfred Deoro, the Cuban, and Frank Sherman, the American, for the world's championship, ended last night in a victory for Deoro, who made a total of 600 points against 498 for his opponent.

Mayor VanWyck of New York city sent back to Albany last night the revised charter as passed by the last Legislature. With the charter was the mayor's veto and memorandum, giving reasons why the city of New York refused to accept it.



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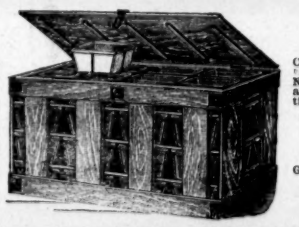
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